

"This is a Fighter Stick!" I shouted. "Everyone on Earth has one." I said, fibbing a little, "so give up your attack, or

else!" Before you could say, "later, gator" they were half-way home. This time, we were lucky. But until everyone on Earth has

an Asciiware enhanced controller. we'll never truly be safe.

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## **Video** Control

What a difference a year makes! This issue of Game Players is more than twice as big as last year's — and more packed with features, reviews, and tips than ever before. So forgive us if we pat ourselves on the back for the

ourseves on the nack for the toughest for whe toughest job we've ever loved.

Things have really taken off since we combined our Ninfendo and Sega. measzines with the June

Issue, even more than we fioped for — and we had pretty high expectations. But we knew our ideas were right for both the video-game industry and our readers, and everybody's support has proved us right.

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Of course, we're not the
only company that's had a
turnaround in 12.short
months. Take a look at
Sega, folks! Last

year, the shelves were empty of quality Genesis titles, and

still got a Power Glove lying around?),

furned out to be lots of fun.

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new (and vital) igensees, capcom. Seg's rathing system came out just after the June show, and regardless of what you think about the student, in cortainly kept the company in the public yet. As pacy are a lot of free publicity to Abbriak Kombid; and if one publicity to Abbriak Kombid; and the window when the work of the land could sell gaine systems, MK-S with and a sell gain and the system of the sell gain and the system of the sy

And finally, we mentioned it last month, but it bears repeating. Sega's advertising campaign is ferrifiel. The unifying acreaming "SEGA!" makes you watch each and every commercial, regardless of your interest in the games, that are featured, And we'll bet you talk to your friends about them, to your friends.

Whether or not Sega ean keep its, momentum going through the next CSS remains to be seen, buf we'd be willing to wager that January brings a real knock-down, drag-out fight between the Big Boys — and we cgo't walt to tell you all about its

Happy holidays — and may at least one of your presents be a Game Players subscription.

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#### Star Wars **Prequels** Finally on the Way

After years of speculation by the press and moviegoers, George Lucas is finally making plans for his next Star Wars trillogy. The three movies, which will be set before the movies that have already been made - Star Wars. The Empire Strikes Back, and Return of the Jed! - will be shot

simultaneously within the next four years. There are no scripts yet, Lucas is reluctant to begin writing the stories until his Industrial Light and Magic crew comes up with the special-effects technology he wants to use. "I'm trying to advance the technology to a point," he says, "where a

film like Star Wars becomes feasible." Lucas is also planning another Inglana Jorges movie, and yes, it will star Harrison Ford, Steven Spielberg will direct, and The Fugitive screenwriter, Jeb Stuart, will pen the story

Lucas is also the executive producer on Radioland Murders, a romantic/murder mystery/comedy that began production in Wilmington, NC, last month, The story -

the events that take place on opening night of a radio station in 1939 - is one Lucas thought of 20 years ago while directing American Graffiti

According to Variety, the three Indiana Jones movies grossed \$620 million in the U.S. alone: the Star Wars trilogy brought in \$808 million.

#### Will Sega's Saturn Run Rinas Around Competition?

Hitachi and Sega Enterprises have reached an agreement that should have a phenomenal impact on Sega's rumored 32-bit Saturn machine. Hitachi will develop a 32bit RISC chip and provide it to Sega for use in its multi-media home-game machine.

The Saturn machine should be released next autumn. We hear that it will be equipped with a CD-ROM player and will have sharply increased data-processing speed and high-speed, full-color moving pictures. Hitachi will develop and market multimedia equipment for business and education using the Saturn as a basis

A spokesperson for Sega of Japan told Game Players that the company has aiready provided specifications for the Saturn to certain software companies.

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## Super Mario 5 for Summer Release?



Games We Wanna See in

Development

Forbidden Planet now that a remake of the 1956 sol-fi classic is in the

Rocko's Modern Life:

Spaceman Spiff: Volume 2 of the "Cahin and Hobbes" collection, it could be better than Silpheed — there are teachers to blast

Pterodactyl Woman from Beverly Hills: we'd buy a game version of thi in-the-works Beverly D'Angelo movie just for the title — and we know you

Wish List Update

Hey — we've gotten our wish. Actually, a couple of them. Several games from our past Wish Lists are now in development. Widebrookin 20 of Dr. Seen in present Vision ment. Wolfenstein 3D, of PC fame, sig-nithe way from Imagineer. And THO has picked up Seaquest DSV for Nintendo and Sega platforms.



Production is underway for Mario 5, the next SNES version of Nintendo's blockbusting series. We hear that the sprite maps and storyline is complete, and that more than 30 developers are completely devoted to this one project. Normally a team works on as many as five games at a time. Programming wizard Sigery Miyamoto is at the helm. Nitnendo hopes to have the game ready for a summer '94 release.

Zelda Vis in pre-production, but work is progressing on the story. Evidently, players will have between four and ten characters from which to choose, and each character gets his or her own ending. Sources tell us that Link's little brother will help out in this quest.



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#### SOFTWARE ETC. TOP TEN GAMES based on unit sales for September

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 Super Mario All-Stars (SNES) 6. Bill Walsh College Football (Game Gear) 7. SF II Turbo (SNES)

7. SF Il Territo (Secs)

8. Mortal Kombat (Genesie)

9. Jurassic Park (Genesie)

10. Bill Walsh College Football (4-Way)(Genesis)

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details later.

**Mortal Movie** 

Midway Manufacturing Company and Wifram Flectronics Games have set up deals

for both a feature film and a television

series based on Mortal Kombat More

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time moneymakers — in addition to Jurassio Park et it and ET at EZ his robkins fonce and the fast Console (1969) ranks sixth, and Jews (1975) robbs mith place. And of course, Jurassic Park is still rabling in the burks. MCA Pictions charman Fom Poblock thinks the move will eventually gross \$400.

either. The Genesis version is a top and sales of SNES, NES, and Game Boy are brisk.

million, perhaps even topping the \$1 billion mark for the first time in history. The video-game versions of Jivassic Park aren't doing too shabby, either. The Genesis version is a too bit.

#### **Autumn Movies** Featured in Trading Cards

Two bot movies from the autumn are featured in new trading-card series by SkyBox

Remolition Man which set a hox-office record its opening weekend, is the subject



of a 100-card set, which features behind the-scenes shots of stars Sylvester Stallane and Wesley Snines, was well as a ten-card. subset showcasing the futuristic cars used in the movie

And Tim Burton's The Minhtmare Before Christmas is the subject of a 90card series. The cards feature Jack



Skellington, Zero, Sally, Lock, Shock, Barrel, and the rest of the puppets from the movie as well as a hehind-the-scenes subset. Four bonus Spectra cards are randomly inserted.

Pioneer held a Tokyo preview in midtitles for the LaserActive machine. The three titles were 3-D Museum, a library of 3-D pictures that you look at with a variety of 3-D glasses; Goku, an interactive movie staring Songoku, a favorite title) Melon Brains, which

## Still Boldly Going?

Paramount may be rethinking its cancellation of Star Trek: The Next Generation to pilot the cast to the silver screen. We hear that the entire cast was recently signed to two-year contracts, even though 1993-94 was supposed to be the final season. And the ratings for the season premiere broke records. In addition. Deep Space Nine, the show that was launched to take the place of The Next Generation, still hasn't captured the full audience of the latter Meanwhile, plans are still in the works

for a big-screen version of ST: TNG which will have a time-traveling theme so stars from the original Star Trek can make appearances. Leonard Nimov has been approached to direct the flick.

#### Mega Mistakes! Some last-minute changes to Meca.

Man X reached us after our November issue had gone to press. Here's the undate: •new release date: January 1994

 The Boho Police now called Mayerick Hunters Zero is a new character who helps Mega Man

·Boss name changes: Ston Chamelero to Sting Chameleon

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ALL NEW!



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# **SOME REAL COMBAT!**



And you can too with our spectacular new 16 MFG multary simulators SUPER BATTLETANK 2TM and THRN AND BURN: NO-FLY ZONE TO They're not real life of course but their mind-blowing graphics sensesstrattering 16-bit sound, and Melke animation make for combat action that sure feels that way. Forearm jabs? Roundhouses? Come on, Forget











Japan Develops Portable

A laptop version of the Super Nintendo is on the way in Japan from Bandai The portable Super Famicom, called the Home Entertainment Terminal, features a four-inch color LCD screen with a TV tuner. It can be connected to printers, moderns, faxes, and a CD-RDM. There are no firm details yet on release date or cost

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#### Villains, United

Rumors are flying that New Line Cinema is working on a movie that would star Freddy from Nightmare on Elm Street, Jason from Friday the 13th and Leatherface from The Texas Chainsaw

### Mario Bros.: French for "Bad News"

French textiles and communications group Charigeurs recently reported loses of \$37 million (209 million francs) and put part of the blame on the Super Mario Bros, movie. The company lost some \$19 million on the movie, pulling profits down 17 percent.

Sequels, Sequels, Sequels The Naked Gun 33 1/3: The Final Insult began filming in August with a familiar cast, including Leslie Nielsen, Priscitla Prestey, George Kennedy, and D.J. Simpson. Also in production is Major League II, which began filming in September with Tom Berenger, Chartie Sheen, Cobin Bernsen back for more baseball hijinx.

#### Murchu Dons Fanos

Eddie Murphy, currently completing Boverty Hills Cop III, will star in horror-mayen Wes Craven's Vamoire in Brooklyn. The thritter/comedy is based on a story by Murphy and his brother. with a screenplay by Murphy and another brother, All three should star. The movie begins filming June 1, for release on the heels of Tom Cruise's Interview with a Vampire.

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#### Jaquar Claws Its Way Into Gaming Pack

As the game-machine explosion takes place, Atari's Jaguar is poised to give 3DO a run for the money. Not only is the Jaquar's price tag \$500 less than 3DO's, but it looks like IBM is coming on board to give the machine a push. IBM has invested between \$70-80 million to develop Jaguar products: the IBM plant in Charlotte, NC - which in the past has made computer processors —

is now talking video games. The Jaquar uses the same chip as a Genesis, but custom chips have been developed to control 3-D objects, improve sound, and speed up screen displays. Ten games should be available before the end of the year, including two games from other formats, Alien vs. Predator and Tiny Toon Adventures. There's also a CD add-on planned

#### JAGUAR SI

64-bit RISC processor 16.7 million colors Stereo 16-bit CD quality sound ten titles ready by year's end

#### Ocean Contest Offers \$5000 Grand Prize

Ocean is sponsoring a nationwide contest to promote its release of the Super NES version of Jurassic Park. In "The Great Dino Egg Hunt," contestants must find eight clues scattered throughout the park's interior and exterior landscapes. You must note the specific location of each, then solve and unscramble the secret message the clues reveal.

Type or clearly print the cluss, their locations, and the unscrambled message on an B 5"x11" piece of paper and submit it before February 2B, 1994 with your name, age, address, and phone number to: "The Great Dino Egg Hunt": P.O. Box 459;

Redwood City, CA 94064-0459 A \$5,000 prize will be awarded to the first contestant who correctly and completely finishes the contest. If more than one complete, correct entry is received, the contestants will share the award

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#### Tons o' Street **Fighter**

The Street Fighter series is officially one of the most successful in history, with 10 million units shipped worldwide. Some 6.5 million copies of Street Flahter II have been sold so far, with 2.9 SF II Turbo and 1.B million SF Special Champion Edition expected by the end of March.

The only games so far to sell more copies are the Super Mario series (100) million) and the Dragon Quest/Dragon Warrior series (about 15 million).

THE HOT NUMBER

Sega's hot-line number - in English. French, and Spanish - for adults concerned about their kids' games.



"What makes PELÉI Socres for the Seqa" Genesis" better then any other soccer game out there? It's not only designed by game experts, it's designed by the world's governor sector expert. We so you get succes the way fell plays all out interior, would class, My 30"-35" source held perspective glass you the traces series of how constructs a perspections grows you was trained autoric on own constrained a real society field in British to Tearn Legic means players more now server now as wear in recent using, servers properly some breath the ball being passed by a team make. Plus, the player images on the screen are extra large and Then It Hit Me."



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dreaded Ultimate Attack Moves. The Sega Genesis version hits you with 11 brutal opponents including evil clones from Dimension X, 11 awesome battleounds, adjustable fighting speed and power, stant replay, and amazing arsenals of physical punishment featuring one-of-a-kind Ultra Desperation Attack Moves. And the NES came includes 2-Player and Tournament modes. 7 furious fighters and specialized

## attack techniques. Hit the streets and pound more than

Roto Cutters, Dynamite Bombers, Chooper Chukers, Vacuum Waves, Electric Pile Drivers, you'll feel and inflict them all



already experiences real street fighting, wait 'til Tournament Fighters lets you kick the (CENSORED) out of your enemies. So trash the surfboards, heave the 'za and pick a fight!



If you think you've







#### Six Buttons All the Way Soga and Electronic Arts are teaming

up to produce more games that use Sega's six-button controller. Other sixbutton games include Sega's Virtua Racing and Sonic CD: Acclaim's Mortal Kombat and CD version of WWF Rage in the Cage; and Capcom's Street Fighter II Special Champion Edition.

More Sixties TV The Fugitive, The Beverly Hillbillies, and now - The Prisoner? It looks like the 17-episode cult classic is the latest sixtles series to jump to the silver screen. ITC, which owns the rights to the Patrick McGophan show, will develop a full-length movie version. In The Prisoner, an intelligence agent who knows too much is incarcerated in a prison where inmates are known only by numbers.

Where Are Nitro and Zan? A kid's version of "American Gladiators" called "Camp Gladistors" is in the works. Contestants will answer guestions, then participate in the vari-

More Movies for "SNL" Crew "Saturday Night Live" alumni Dana Carvey and Jon Lovitz are teaming up for Tucson, a period Western comedy. Carvey and stand-up comedian Rick Reynolds wrote the script

#### Ahoy, Muppetsi

The Muppets try to stay high and dry in their next movie, The Muppet Treasure Island, which is based on Robert Louis Stevenson's adventure classic. Jim Henson Productions begins filming this fall for a spring '94 release. As always, live actors join Kermit, Miss Piggy, 0

Scooter, and the rest Jim Henson Productions is also working on a live-action Pinocchio and a film version of the Stephen Sondheim fairy-tale musical Into the Woods.

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#### TecMagik Aids Starlight Foundation

TecManik was one of several dozen companies to soonsor a booth at the Starlight Foundation's fundraiser "Celebrate Starlight" October 2. The day-long event which featured a carnival, games, food, entertainment, and celebrities - raised money for the Starlight charity, which grants wishes to seriously ill children

Kids visiting the TecMagik booth met Startight's mascot, The Pink Panther, and got to play TecMagik's new game, The Pink Panther Goes to Hollywood. They also could win certificates for free games, comic books, stuffed Pink Panther toys, and serigraphs donated by MGM and Pink Panther creator Friz Freleng.



DOES IT COME WITH LASAGNAY Sunsoft's platform/guzzla game starting Garfeid flas already been released in the united Kingdom. Can it be long before it reaches bits shores?

### An Apology to Our Readers

to apologize for an ad in our N from a Florida company called Chall as it would be for what is e equipment to pirate Super Nichendo fortunately running rampant throughout video-game industry, and the result is o m Challenge International scheduled for this issue was immediately cancelled, and ain, we apologize that the ad ran in our publication at all





## CD GOES SONIC



CANAGO EARS Seven zones, three levels each, each level in past, present and future time warps (that's 63, but who's counting?). Heck, we invented Sonic, but it's even hard for us to keep up with him.





Sonic. See Sonic race Metal Sonic to rescu Princess Sally.

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There sure is plenty to see here.





## Ren and Stimpy Mania!



Markwardt of Fargo, ND















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ee Petersen of Neosho, MC The Complaints

I have a few questions for Sega. First of all why does Sega rate its games? If Letha Enforcersweren't MA-17, my parents would have let me buy it. Doesn't Sega realize that the rating on games will only bring down its sales by the thousands? This is very disturbing. I just missed out on a great game due to this rating system.

> Eric James Carmet, IN

Sorry, Eric, but that's exactly why Sega started a ratinos system — so your folks

would know what games to refuse to buy you. But use the ratings as a chance to develop your debating skills. I'll bet if you cited examples of that Namco was upset by its MA-13 rating) or in TV shows that you watch, you might convince them to let you whale terrorists in Lethal Enforcers. Either that or they'll take away your gaming and TV privileges entirely!

I really hate it that Japanese releases of video games are much cooler than their watereddown American counterparts. I don't just mean anime games with 12-year-old heroines sport-One of the Super Famicom games in particular

had a few extra moves for the hero; like throwing people through windows, and I've been told some of the Street Fighter-style games have different combination moves

> Blake Benneti Lexington, KY

When will there be a good wrestling game are too hooked on the WWF. All they give you are basic moves, then you have a power move. They should take notes from NEO-GEO and make a game like 3-Count

> Bouglas Summerville Snow Hill, NO



Trust Anyone

There are a lot of us SNES players over 30, and

we love games like Shadowoate. Dela Vir. Shadowrun, and Maniac Mansion - but these

types of games are few and far between. Come

Eve taken all I can stand and must not this off my chest: I'm a 33-year-old RPGer. I started out a few years ago with the NES and played every

RPG I could find: Then the games got few and farther between. I got a SNES and Genesis, too. but the games stopped coming, and the market

was flooded with garbage, garbage, and more

garbage. Why can't the game companies find

arryone to hire that can develop a game? Seems

that they can only copy Hollywood. And I'm so

sick and fired of seeing these fighting gamest

Any brain-dead zomble can press a button 7000 times a second. What's the point?

Shelleyville, TN

Peter Etienne

Loretto, TN

on, guyst it's not just a kid's world out here!

## Nintendo vs. Sega

I want to give you my comion of the hintendo vs. Sega figh Twee years ago, I bought a Genesis and three games. I now have 15 cartridges, two old controllers, and two socioution controllers, the Seya CD, and 14 CD

1) Segs Channel: Segs gets a point for this since

it's something that's going to charige - a little bit

Sega 1, Nintendo 0

2) FX Chip: Wow! Giving players the chance to see 3-D graphics is really cool, and the chin to maxi-

Sega 1, Nintendo 1

3) Virtua VR: 180 degrees, graphics moving through your head - I gotta buy it!

Sega 2, Nintendo 1

4) The Activator: It will get me in the game Sega 3, Nintendo 1

5) Game Ratings: I have two sisters, one 18,

sister is playing a good video game without Sena 4. Nintendo 1

6) The Games: Nintendo won last year, but

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so popular that pen pais will be nieving Sega 6, Nintendo 2

SEGA WINS! Alfonso Martinez Jr. Uruapan, Michoscar

## Ask the Magic Eight Ball

Are you going to have more Ultinate Strategy guides? Hoved the information in the #1: Shining Force. Eric Vice

Dayton, KY

Signs point to yes.

Are Eak! the Cat and Super Godzilla for SNES any good? Treva Singh Vew York, NY

Cannot predict now.

Oldn't you spell wrestler Shawn Michaels's name wrong in your article on WWF Royal Rumble?

Tammy Stamps Muskogee, OK

Will there ever be a X-Men: The Arcade Game for Genesis? Chris Hearma

Redendo Beach, CA Reply trazy; try again.

As I see it was

**Envelope Art** 







Drew Beckmeyer of Los Angel

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#### The Burning Ouestion

October

Which is butter - Street Fighter or Mortal Komball And who's the fighter you'd most hate to must in

the best came company ever, and because it is the bill game ever in the video-game world. I have Strain Flohter #Turbo: I don't plan to Mortal Kombal becaus-

spine right off of you. Ough In my comion. Mortal Abrobatis better than SFILIt has

gyaryone wants - blood Mortal Kombat for Genesis-has bed graphics, bod

The reason's in the foliablest You'd never see Ryung Sagat's head off with a dragon punch. And where sith blood? I'm only going to buy Mortal Kombat I've rented

The new Street Fighter' 2 Turbo is better than Mortal Kombat -- I went right out and purchased it soon after il came out, but I stayed home on Mortal Monday. SF at lease until Super Street Fighter is translated. With Mortal Kombat, I other get the better graphics and sound with the SNES version, or better pla blood and guts" with the Genesis. Ether choice David Sprnikle

#### The Burning Question September The Last Word

300. Excellent machine? Dr one game system

too many?

Lam very impressed with 300's superior technology. and would not be surprised if it did well despite many young gamers like myself without \$700 to she light for a new game machine

Paul Johnson Concord, CA

I don't know much about 300, but it sounds like an interesting device. The lower here) newly released Arrige CD 32 also looks like a great contender for king of the ring in the world of game-console wreetling. But the problem always boils down to the fact. that both machines need really good games - fast And they must take advantage of the new consoles' capabiffies as much as possible it they're come. make if the first year. Me? Buy one? Not yet? Per Holcansson

#### The Burning Question November

to peripherals such as programmable pads or the larne Genie add to game play or take away from it? I won't use a special peripheral until I've tried to crack a game on my own. But if I get stuck, it helps to have a

that you start funfacioning about taking out members of the design beam.

The Burning Question

So you've road our Wish Eists for the past sever issues. What moves, comps, characters, or other Icenses would you like to see in development?

Think Mortal Kombat culcussion Street Flatter #macute person I would hate to meet is Scorpion - he could torol

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know I would meet my doorn with the eye-ks: thunder ood named Rayden.

game powerhouses of all time? Both Mortal Komba

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Aatthia Mecchizedek



#### Homole

How do you defeat the Skeleton Boss of Skeleton Bock in Hook for SNES?

### Clearwater, FL

Julius

A frontal assault won't work. When he firmws his head at you, jump over him (fly if you can - but be quick) and hit him from behind. After a tast hit or two, get away from him and walt for him to throw his head again.

#### Phantasy Star III

I'm stuck in Phantasy Star III. I'm on the third generation, playing as Sean, I've found Lava, and of course I'm with the cyborgs, but I can't find Kara, Please help.

Bryan Tucson, AZ

1) He lives

in the bottom

of The Pit. so.

that's the only

area you can

Once you've found Lava, you'd better pack a lunch -- vou've oot some serious walking ahead of you! Travel to the cave in the southwest corner of Aridia and onen it with Laws's Mystery Star. It takes you to Frigidia. Go to Mustoke talk to all the villagers, and on to Mustoke Castle I ava's Pendant is in the heart of the castle: USF it to hear Lava's story then head north from Mustake to find a nair of temples. There's a large blue square inside every temple, and now that you have Laya's Pendant, you can use the squares to teleport to temples on other planets.

The eastern temple leads to southern Elysium. From there head north to Aerone. Talk to the villagers for clues to the rocket shuttle east of the village, then take the shuttle to Dahlia, Lune's base, Talk to Lune and his daughters until Kara joins you; she has Lune's Slicer, Also, be sure to check through Dahlia Dungeon for the Aero parts.

#### The Lost Vikings

What do you do next after you get all three Vikings to the red keyhole on the last level of Lost Vikings for SNES? Where's the red key? What does Eric do after he uses the transporter and has to face Tomator all alone? We really need your help! We've been working on this level for two-and-ahalf weeks! Danny

Halifax, MA



on hefore you reach this area --- make sure you give Eric as much as he can carry Tomator throws two bombs and shoots his ray gun (in that order). Stay a step or so away from him so the bombs lob over you, then jump to the ladder in the center of the room to stay above his shots. His forcefield turns off and he moves to the other end of the room drop and have Eric charge into him while his field is down, it takes six or so hits, but eventually he disappears. The red key is off to the right By the way, this isn't the last time you

see Tamator. The Vikinas must combine their talents to finally kill him off: Use Olaf's shield to protect you. Balear's fiaming arrows to take down his forcefield, and have Friccharge into him to push him back

## Shadion voicitie

I'm stuck in Shadowgate. When I go to get the staff, I get stuck when I reach the troll on the bridge. Can you help me?

> Damian Lisbon, OH

The troll quard wants a toll, but hit him with your spear Instead of paying him. When you come back a second time, however, he's wised up and your spear won't work. Use the Humana snell instead to speak by

## Mystery of the Month

How do you fight the elusive Reptile? Mt. Kisco, NY

Letters and faxes asking this question have been pling up ever since Mortal Monday. Obviously, it's a mystery that won't on away, although any hardcore arcade addict could answer it as well as we could They're not hard to soot - hist look for the auvs walking through the streets with their arms outstreched velling "Mortal" Kombaaaati Mortal Kombaaaati

Answay Roptile is that strange fighter who looks Ne Scorpion or Sub-Zero except he's rimeand in areen. He drops in

every so otten. taunts the player, then leads out again, Getting to fight him is a once in a lifetime event -- check this:



find hyn and even then only in oneplayer Tournament mode. SNES players get a chance every time the Pit comes around, but Genesis players must watch for odd silhouettes floating across the moon (Genesis owners take heart, however, and check out

this month's Codebreskers). 2) Don't use any blocking moves while fighting in The Pit. You know. L and B for SNES, Start for Genesis, or Bland You a Genesis 6-button nad. 3) You must score a Double Flawless

victory. 4) Destroy the opponent using your Expeding maye

If you do everything correctly, you should wind up in The Pit fighting Repute. He can use all the moves of both Sub-Zero and Scorpion, but if you beat him, there's banus of ten million points!







I'm having trouble with Shadownin. I have the dog collar and a ghoul bone, but I can't find the third thing to take to the Dog Spirit for a spell. And where can I get the most money? I never have enough to hire anyone!

Rustv Newark, DH

Here's a complete list of what the Dog Spirit needs for different spells . Heal: Dog Collar from the dog in the fown square Magic Fetish from the Rat Shaman.

and enchanted Leaves from Kitsune . Summon Solrit: Dog Coller and Dog Tag . Power Ball: The Ghoul Rone from the arsweverd near the Grim Reaner and the

Meteoric Iron Panerusioht from the room next to Glutman's office. . Invisibility: Toxic Water from the town fountain and Clean Water from the object shin.

held in blue and purple bottles from the falieman shon · Armor: Dragon Scales from the volcano.

and Mermaid Scales from the docks. . Freeze: Black Bottle filled with actorus ink. and Marmaid Scalor

There's no easy way to earn money. At the beginning, fight anyone who takes a pot shot at you. After Glutman sends you to the car wards in Chapter 2, you've got a good change to build both learns and money. There's a bed in the northeast corner of the vards where you can rest and save the game. There's also a small ama whom you're attacked at random in the middle of the southern edge - fight bere until you're strang enguish to make real money in the Arena. It takes longer to get out of the yards by fighting the king than paying him off, but you're in better shape if you face him in the Arena

## **Out of**

How do you get past the last guard on level 15 and heat the game? I can crawl to the panel and flip the switches, but then

the guard kicks me in the head! What do I do2

#### Patrick Yakima, WA

You've not the right idea, you've just got no timing. Door you've mached the switches. wait until the quard overnowers your alien friend and comes after you. When he's in the center of the room. (In the switch and watch him get destroyed. Crawl back to the genter. and you and your friend are zimped out of the morn. He throws you over his shoulder, and way both get to



#### The Adventures of Willia Beamigh

I need some serious bein in Willy Reamish for Sega CD. Can you tell me how to get past the bullies on the third day? Thanks a

> Dana Marlboro, NY

You should have a smoke bomb after your encounter with the Jananese tourists. When the gapa shows up, head for the Golden Bowl Bar and talk to Bay, the duy at the door. He won't belo you but he eventually gives you a wrench. Throw the smoke bomb at the gang. and while they're obscured by the cloud use the wrench to open the nut on top of the hydrant (as usual with Willy, firning and positioning are tricky). Run away while the gang is being doused, and head for the Toolsweet Pavilion, where you run into the tourists again. Tell them "Help! Those guvs are gonna clobber me!" They turn out to be a family of ninias who bail you out.

#### Street Fighter II

I found some tips for SF // for SNES.

. For an easy KD of Balrog with Guile, back into a corner, hold back and repeatedly hit flerce. This creates spinning backfists and

kills him every time.

. After you've used the code for Same vs. Same, you can hit Start when selecting your character to get the Champion Edition color uniforms, For the original color, hit A.

. To change control configuration during game play, repeatedly hit Select and Start at the same time during the Vs. screen (right before the match begins).

. To heat Vega easily with Chun Li, jump in one snot, using roundhouse kicks whenever he comes in close.

. For Ken and Ryu's double-hit dragon nunch press the button once while pressing Forward and again when back around

Antioch TN Cool The Legend of

#### Zeide: Link's Awakening

I've looked everywhere in Zelda for Game Boy to find the key to the first dungeon. Can you help me find it? Lucas

Lake Park, MN

Stephen

Oh. I think we can help. First, head into the Mysterious Woods until you meet a raccoon who tells you that you'll get lost. Sure enquals. if you try going north away from him, you wind up going in circles. Find the cave with Bevare of floors clearing with a toadstool you can grab. Go back through the cave, then take the path

the sign outside that warns you not to sten on cracks. Enter the cave and tollow it until worr come to a

north until you reach a cave blocked by three rocks. Take the path east until you come to the Witch's Hut. Give her the mushroom, and she uses it to make you some magic powder. Use the powder

on the raccoon. and its spell will be broken, Just to the north is a chest with the Tail key, Voital





#### Sanic Mania!

I've played Sonic 2 enough to be able to identify almost all of the sound effects. The one I can't find is Sound Test #10. Is it a secret I haven't found yet?

> Emily Middethian UT

Believe it or not, for the last several months, this has been the most asked question about Sonic 2. Don't you trike think you're spending

a little too much time with one game?
However, just for you — and John, and
Travis, and all the other readers who seem
obsessed with the music of thue hedgehogs—
sources at Sega tell us that Sound Check #10
was written for a level that was planned, but
then stiminated during Sonie 2's design.

At that point, holwey, the soundtack had already been completed and adold to the game, so Sound Test #10 remains in the sound file even though there's no level in which to hear it. Apparently this fest 'uncommon in the industry, and if you really want to check every game that closely, you can find other examples.

I'm stuck in Sonic 2 for Game Gear. All I need to get to the Crystal Egg level is the second Chaos Emerald. Can you help me?

> Brad Stony Plain, Canada

The second emeraid is in the Sky High Zone, Act 2. Ride the first hang-glider up, up, and to the right. The emeraid is in the right corner, above the clouds, By the vay, the quick way through this stage is to keep going to the right after you and the level.

HelpI S.O.S.I I really need your help. I really love Sonic the Hedgehog, so I bought Sonic 2 for Game Gear. I've tried everything to get past the boss in Act 3 of the Underground Zone. I'm a Sonic crazy girl, and I need

> Marlena Providence, RI

Pelistones and a keen eye are key. You can't tanks the Master Robot directly — he is sy hedgeling-proof — but notice that the energy bombe bouncing around can furth lim. There are several different patterns, but if you stay as far to the right as you can — without abunding the Misster Robot, of course — you give yourself more time to avoid them. As jourself more time to avoid them. As ordings, and he keets over once he is had enough.

#### Harley's Humongous Adventure

I'm in the bathroom in Harley's Humongous Adventure, but I can't get through the pipes. I take every path, but there's a dead end on each. Please help!

Guelph, Ont. Canada

Chris



The way act of the bathroom in '11 through the had varia. Go down to pick up the bourse, the rest had a hassly retreat before you run act of all return to the scarce and took for a direction to the scarce and took for a direction to the scarce and took for any act scarce and took for any act scarce and took for a scarce and scarce for a scarce for the scarce for a scarce for the scarce for scarce for a scarce for the scarce for the scarce for the scarce for scarce for the scarce for the scarce for scarce

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Also, here's a complete list of the weapon to use on each boss:

Y. Spear

B. Attack

W. Storm

F. Blast

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Plant B.

#### **DOUBLE, DOUBLE YOUR** EN JOYMENT

This handy little code allows two people to play as the same character in the two-player mode. At the title screen, press Down, Down, Up. Up. Right, Left, Right, Left, L button, R button - you hear a sound if you input it correctly, and the screen should change color



MORTAL KOMBAT

#### SECRET OPTIONS SCREEN

At the game-select screen, press Down Up, Left, Left, A, Right; and Down. This gives you access to a huge selection of erent options. Here's what the FLAG

Player 1 in danger Player 2 in dange

Reptile always on the Pit stage Reptile jumps down before each FLAG 5

FLAGR Computer opponents do fatality FLAG 7 nouter cononents are su

Those are just some of the things that you can do

David Rogin East Windsor, NJ



Press Down, Up, Left, Left, A, Right, and Down...





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#### INFINITE SHURIKENS

Since Shinobi 2 had a code for unlimited shunken, we just knew that this one had one, too, And, as usual, we were right! Go to the Options screen and set the shuriken number to "00." Now go to the Sound Effects test listen to the sound of the shuriken, then go back up to the shuriken option and wait -



Go to the and set the shuriken number to "00 "



shuriken for unlimited ammo/



VOICE TEST: At the title screen, press and hold the A. B. and C buttons on Controller 2 while selecting the Option screen. The Sound Test should now be a Voice Test!

STAGE SELECT: Pross Down Down Un Un Right, Left, Right, Left, A. B. and Start on Controller 1 during the opening demo and a Stage Select appears on the title screen! Also, now you're able to return to the title screen during game play by pausing the game, then pressing A on Controller 2.

DEBUG MENU: Press Left, A. B. Up. Down. Up. Up. Left. Right. C. Right. Down. B on Controller 2 during the opening demo for a Debug menu

MORE CONTINUES: When you're down to your last continue left, wait for the opening demo and press Right, Up. A. B. C. Left, Left Down C. A and Start on Controller 1 - you should now have ten extra continues!

INVINCIBILITY: During the opening demo, press Right, Left, A, Right, Up, C, B, Down, Left, B, A, Up, and Start on Controller 1. Now you can recover your shield any time during game play by pressing A on Controller 21

MANIA MODE: During the opening demo. press B. B. A. C. Up, Left, Right, Down, C. UP. and A - you should now be in Mania mode. However, once you select the Option screen, the game reverts to Normal mode.

SUPER MANIA MODE: During the opening demo, press B. B. A. C. Up. Left. Right. Down, C. Up. A. and B - you should now be in Super Mania mode. However, again, once you select the Option screen, the game revert back to Normal mode

DEMD PAUSE: You can pause during the demo by pressing Start on Controller 2



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**GAME GEAR** 

MORTAL KOMBA

#### SECRET SOUNDS

Go to the Options screen and select Sound FX #17. Push Right and the A button simultaneously and repeatedly until the sounds stop. Wait, and you'll hear some weird sounds that you couldn't select before! Now go to the Music option and select tune #16. Press Right and A re-peatedly until you hear a different tune beginning. Now you can hear the hidden

> Brian Goodman Brooklyn, NY



"Sound FX 17" until you hear some new sounds, or at Music #16 for a new tune!

#### AUSS ZIM MORTAL KOMBAT

#### **GOOFY GLITCH**

There's a glitch in the SNES version that goes like this: Choose Sub-Zero vs. anyone in a two-player match, then win the first round. Use three uppercuts and two foot-sweeps in the second round
—your opponent should have almost no eft. Freeze your weakened opponent with an Ice Blast, which takes away his final energy. When the game yells "Finish Him." do the Fatality move --- you freeze the already frozen character, splifting him into two different people! One is crushed into ice while the other remains standing

> Gregory Fanous Dallas, TX

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Pull the plug on the Lava Powerhouse for a real global warm-up!



Vaste the evil Doc, save the prison and make Mobius free at last. Hey, piece of cake!

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# ON YOUR GAME!





RAPID-FIRE MODE

Go to the Options screen and highlight EXIT. Now press and hold A. B. Bight, then press Start. When you start a new game, you'll be



Select EXIT on the Ontions screen then hold A B and Right while pressing Start.



## IT'S NOT OVER YET

Taito's hot new RPG has more to it than meets the eye. After beating the game, sit through the ending and continue to watch. After a short while, a special screen appears that lets breaks down the game into how much time you spent playing, how much time fighting, and more. Reset the game and return to the main menu - vou should see a new option titled "Once Again." Select it to start a new game, this time with four times your normal cash and experience points! NOTE: We found this trick on a preliminary version of Lufia, but it may have been taken out before the final release

#### TWO COOL CODES

At any time during the game, press Start to nause then press Down A C IIn Left and Left - you hear a chime if you input the code correctly. Now you can play in slow motion! For another trick proce Start to hause the game, then press C. A. B. A. Left, and Left -again, you should hear a chime. This code lets



asme at any point and input either the level-skip or ele-mo code Now ver asmin'

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Strikes don't count Two strikes for an out GUN - GUTS AND GLORY (GAME 80Y)



Using Sub-Zero, whittle your goodnent's energy bar down to almost nothing, then use your **ice Blast** to finish <u>him.</u>



Execute the Fatality move and keep an eye on your opponent — he splits in two! Not a useful trick, but it's still kind of cool

MORTAL KOMBAT

#### NEW GAME GENIE CODES

CPDA-ADNN Invisible Fireballs, Ice Blasts, & "censored" Fatalities CBET-AAF2 All attacks do much more damage GBRA-ATVL Strange round numbers

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CBET-AAA2 nfinate life for both CBET-AAC2 Round ends after 1st attack (Ice Blast ends game) SBDT-AACC Both fighters no character

> **Bobert Doresh** Rockwall, TX

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isten to that: cash registers are lingling. customers are tingling -- it's the holiday season! Garners (and hopefully people who love them) are looking for hot gift ideas. If you want to be the hippest high-tech gamer in your neighborhood, check out this holiday edition of TechTalk. Techheads rejoice - this year there are plenty of hot goodles to wrap up or stick in a

irtually VR

VictorMaxx's StuntMaster beat Sega's VR to the market by four months or so, but should those techies dving for Virtual Reality adopt early? And if not, will Sega's VR be any better?

After initial testing, our TechTalk team came away with varied opinions of the Strintmaster --- and most folks were disappointed. Although this is the only lowcost video-game compatible VR accessory on the market today, it still fell short of what we expect from VR gear. But this was firstgeneration hardware, and updates should include many options our version couldn't because of engineering tradeoffs, including a vitally important focus knob. We found the image inside the headgear so out of focus that one of our testers got a headache after only five minutes of playing - and he has 20/20 visioni

Other tradeoffs include a lack of padding on the nose bridge (ouch!) and a limited field of vision. The Stuntmaster does have left-to-right tracking (if you move your head to the left, the character ooes left, and

vice versa), plus stereo sound, Still, it's more like a Viewmaster than a VR helmet Whether or not the navelty of being the first on your block to own one makes up for blowing \$200 is up to you. The upgraded unit will sell for \$350 or so. A little pricey, but you get a much better unit. If you can't wait... don't say we didn't warn you. As far as Sega goes, we still hear that

it will be next summer before its headset is ready. We hear that Seca's had trouble with the tracking mechanism.

So while you've got to praise Victor Maxx for being first on the market, the Stuntmaster still has a long way to go.









Connect the headgear to your game deck using the included cables.



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We've been good all year ... well, except for that round of Street Fighter Turbo that not out of hand. And here's what we're hoping to get for the holidays. Any one of these items would make a great gift.



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scenes in the first Star Wars game. Improvements include more enemies and a vast landscape with large rolling hills.

#### HOTH

(uice has a Blaster in addition to his Light Saber that's good for targeting stant enemies. It's suicide to use at close range.











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Luke's **block** is another effective mane wer. Not



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# JEFF LUNDRIGAN

Get in the mocket, rockle, and do it now! The universe needs saving, and we're going show you how it's done. Pay attention, too, or the Empire will chew you up and spit you out. What

The super-hot Robel Assaults a long-awated title from LucasArts and JVC. And from the preliminary version we've seen, it's going to be worth the wort. As the plot of one of three different rebeil crafts from the Star Wars unwerse, you begin by tooling around Tamone, barring base their sids in a T16 Skyhopper. From there it's off to the secret robel base on take on the Emprets deadlest plots by dimbing into the ultimate rebal graft, the X-wing-While not a true flight amulator, Rabal Assaulties you to pilot your ship Star For style,

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#### The game begins with digitized sequences from STAR WARS













And remember, the Force will be -- well, you get the idea.... GP

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It all started at Mr. Wilson's party when my pet turtle, George, dove into the punch bowl. Everyone went nuts: Mrs. Bloopie jumped on Mr. Campbell's back... Mr. Campbell dropped his plate on Mrs. Melarky's toe... Mrs. Melarky spilled her chicken wings on Mr. Botsworth's lap...Mr. Botsworth poured

his soup on Mrs. Gaylord's canary...
Then, when no one was looking,
Switchblade Sam made off with Mr.
Wilson's prize coin collection. Now
I gotta track down Sam and those
coins...or of Mr. Wilson's gonna
make turtle soup out of poor.

George!!!











## Contest Results!

#### esign Your Own Star Wars Boss, May 1993

The "Design Your Own Star Wars Boss" we ran in our May Nintendo Guide was a phenomenal success. We sent off all 335 entries to Darth Vader's henchmen at LucasArts, and they made the final selections, looking for imagination as well as artistic talent. We're sorry we couldn't reproduce all the drawings, but here are some of the winners!



"Spitting Waspo" by Wade Lageose of Los Angeles, CA





"Swamp Dragon" by Clinton Breeden of Owasso, OK







"NARGAR Monster" by Mike Kovalsky of Fords, NJ



"BossMonster" by Gilberto Izquierdo & Elias Leanos Hernandez of Zapopan, Jalisco, Mexico



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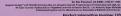
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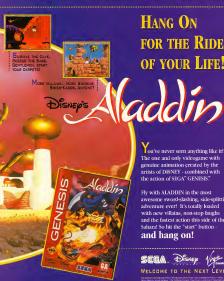
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start a swing, there's no way to stop.



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The jump swing won't get you out of harm's way like a jump kick, but you can use it to hit enemies immediately behind you.

The shield isn't an attack - it's a desperate attempt to avoid damage. Jumping away is usually better.

### Beginning of the Quest



n — Common grunts who show up in every



men - They stay at

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take only one shot to kill.

better at blocking your attacks, and they can iumo around.



- These sime covered skeletone eren't any more dangerous than anything else, but you fight them while knee-

deep in muck.



First Sub-Boss Also one of the tooghest. You must stay inside the tange of his staff and kinks. Jung-kick to get close and hand with him as best you can.





The Citu



goons, they like to come at you from behind.



but stupid. Their axes give them a long reach.



Attack Dogs — Hard to hit, but they die with one blow.



### The Black Temple



shielding themselves, they can also take a lot of damage. Be careful.



basically ineffective as warriors, they can still pack a wallop if you're not careful.



after taking a certain amount





Not Man -- You meet him michary through this stage, and if you can't deleat him (and don't plan on beating him), he traps you in his net and haufs you off to rail.









Elevator Operator — He drops you back down to the bottom if he sees who you are. Jump up to the platform before he







- A primitive lot. they're nonetheless every hit as deadly as their moreevolved buddies.



s — Big and mean. If you cut these cuys any slack, they'll cut you plenty.





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### STAGE 1: METAL STORM





BOSS: Stay high and use the GAM for protection. Target its

### STAGE 2: DESERT RAVE



Wave after wave of hio-drones and hio-worms are nonetheless no match for the GAM's attack and defensive abilities.



BOSS: Again, target its eve and continue firing until it's destroyed. Use the GAM in close-attack runs.

### STAGE 4: DEAD ZONE



for protection.

Take out the smaller ground installations with GAM strafios runs. Continue to use the GAM

This bio. only week area is its

the GAM for protection and lead the worm into your line of fire. Intelligence advises you to use the same methods and skills to buttle the remanding stages. Good luck. The GAM Defensive/Offensive Mechanism

### Carefully watch the GAM's power meter - once it's exhausted, the GAM must recharge and your Halbard

is left unprotected

When you're on the defensive use the GAM's nonceful attack poplast larger But when you're on



the offensive, this formation enables the GAM to protect your ship - use it in overcrowded areas.

### STAGE 3: PSYCHEDELIC CAVE

Watch out for dead ends deep within the case Power-up the Wide-Beam Rifle or Loser Connon to defeat the larger birs.



BOSS: Avoid the spores, shoot directly into the flowers. and use the GAM 28

### THE RAVE REVOLUTION

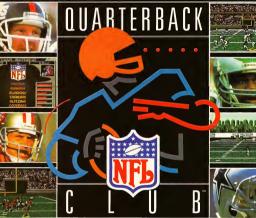
Although Techno-Raye is still in its infancy, its mesmerizing heats and flerce books have graphed devoted followers, even though the musical industry has ignored it other than an occasional news report on its cylls

Since its early beginnings in German houseclubs, Techno-Rave was seen as high-end, high-energy dance music played hy D.Is with esoteric tastes. It wasn't until 2 Unlimited's "Tuilloht Zone" and its infectious follow-up "Get Ready for This" broke into the worldwide dance charts that the U.S. mainstream began to take notice Last summer. AR Logic's "Get Up" topped out on many top 40 crossover stations

Kelly Rodgers, a producer for Activision, is a hig fan of Rave and it was his idea to use it to replace the original Ismanese soundtrack in BioMetal. It was also his idea to contact the group 2 Unlimited, a leader in Techno-Rave.

As we reported last July, licensees such as Virgin Interactive (Global Gladiators), Interplay (The Lost Vikings), and JVC (Jaguar XJ220) are currently incorporating Rave-like soundtracks into their games. And Techno-Rave dance compilations are some of the hest-selling products in record stores arross the U.S. The tunes just keep getting better ....

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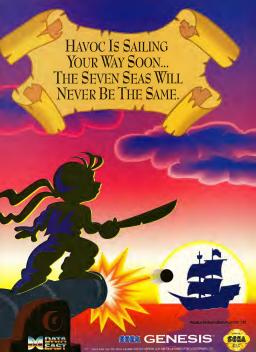


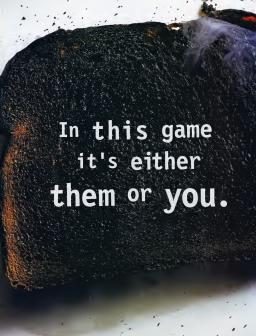
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Idiot showoff! There you are, a cooky young lad, hanging around where you shouldn't be. Sure enough, you get into temble brouble. Lots of good stones start out this way.

You could wander for days lost in the valley, so find a sword and cut your way out.

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### Jeff Lundrigan

Let's cut to the chase: Secret of Mana is the beat RPG for Super NES we've seen all year, Squares Soft, maker of the various Fhual Fantasy games, is known for its fine work, but the designers have outdone themselves this time. Mana is not only huge, but the graphics also set a new standard for 16-bit RPGs, with bush landscapes and larger-than-usual characters. It's simply packed to the gills with great stuff.

In a welcome departure, combat is handled in an arcade style. While some purists might object, this combat is smooth and challenging, not a thumb-busting exercise. It keeps things moving faster than in a normal RPG, and it also lets one, two, or (if you've got a multi-tap) even three people play at the same time.

So what are you waiting for? If you miss this one,







You have three adventurers from which to choose: a boy, a girl, and a... ub... sprite!





seeing a lot of him.

Luka tells you all you need to -know about your destiny, the sword, and the Mana. Listen carefully, then head for Pandons and Gala's Navel

On the way to see Luka in the Water Palace, be sure to visit Neko's, conveniently located off the main path through

The Water Palace

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Prepare yourself. Because when it come to pain, it's better to give than receive





FIRST LEVEL



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Visit the sideshow and meet the Sprite, a conniving little critter.







a monster shows up here, too. As it pops out of the ground, try to attack it from an angle so your sword can reach over the stalagmites.

Once the Scrite ioins you, head north through the Haunted Forest to the witch's cave. You're re-united with the girl ...



very big place, and so far you've seen a very tiny part of it.









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reload feature exactly right so you don't run out of ammo.

Upgrade your firepower along the way to magnum, 12-ound automatic, it assult rifle or grenade gun. Six levels, including target training, will put your skill to the test in the parts of the Windy (City the tourists never see.

# a toy like this Cracker Jack box.



For one or two top cops.

(2nd player can use controller mail in for another "Justifier." See details inside package.)

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Werewolves are the lastest of your opponents and can take you out auckly with their deadly days. Shoot them with severware before they get



Gill-Man of the Blue Lagoon is a water-based version of a werewolf. Oddly enough, you're as good a swimmer as he is, so try to outswim him. If you meet him on land, resort to your









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There's a secret dronway in airrost ever board. If you see something behind a wall, try walking through it.



3uf sometimes you must make your own doorways. Use your trusty bazooka, but be forewarned that you can only litest through walls with cracks in them.







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Level 11 is a good place to pick up extra men since you're given a "weed wackin" borus at the end based on the plant life you've destroyed.



you missed it, go back through a few level 20.1 you missed it, go back through a few levels and search more carefully. Remember that garbage can on the second level?

You've got to get rid of the glant baby before you can texte level 8. Look for a Pandora's Box hidden in a nearby house, use it, then polish off the kid with a few biscooks blasts.





### Jonathan Gagnon

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Use the elevator to get

but be careful where

you get off

Sunsoft is to video-gaming what Goodyear is to race-car tires -

both companies burn rubber to stay in front of the competition. Speed is key, and the Looney Tunes license is quickly putting Sunsoft at the front of the pack Sure, Sonic is synonomous wit speed, but long before there were video games, the Looney Tunes characters

were blazing new trails on the cartoon scene. In its second year of a five-year licensing agreement with Warner Brothers to use the Looney Tunes characters, Sunsoft has already release The Roadrunner's Death Valley Rally for Super NES, Taz-Mania for Super NES,

and Speedy Gonzales for Game Boy. A SNES version of Speedy is expected in time for the 1994 holidays, but it could be ready as early as August or Septem-"The hunger for video games south of the border is tremendous, and Speed is definitely a south of the border kind of

character." said David Siller, director of product development for Sunsoft. Next up, however, is Rabbit Rampage for Super NES, which pits Firmer Fudd, Yosemite Sam, and the Tasmanian Devil against Bugs Bunny. The title is expected in January and will feature a lot of in-your-face, slapstick

Buos Bunny famous. Gamers will be glad to know that Wile E. Coyote gets another chance to stick a fork in the Roadrunner. This time the cunning coyote even gets top billing - the name of the game is Wile E.'s Revenue. You can count on new Acme contraptions, too Sunsoft has also let Game Players

know that it will be making another Tasmanian Devil title for SNES, and Taz will be making an appearance on Game Boy as well. These games are still in the early stages of development, so few details were available. Expect the games, however, for next year's holiday

"When we made the first Taz title for SNES," Siller says, "we wanted a game that moms, dads, and first-time gamers could enjoy, not just 12 to 13 vear olds."

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### Billy R. Moon

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## Nine Ball



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## Straight Pool

Here, you pocket the bells in any order, with each ul (and legal) shol counting as one point The first player to reach an agreed-upon point goal

## The Shots



The most basic goal shot involves a straight line between the cue ball, the direct ball (the one you're aiming for), and the intended pocket. Give serious consideration - even on simple shots --- to the power of your shot as well as the English you apply



so't in lined up between the one ball and the out the ball. Aim the cue ball so it hits the object ball slightly off center. Out

he ball left, for example, by aiming at the right side of the object ball.



ing the cue bell spinning off to the two ball, sinking its

This combination of straight peop

and Nine Ball is unique to the video arne world. Each board has a ferent zack (beginning arrangemention a certain number of balls (which changes with each board). You should hit the balls in order, but if you can't, just sink as many as possible or use trick shots



Side Pocket

on 1) the number of balls you sank in sequence. 2) the number sunk in a row, and 3) the number of trick shots you successfully

A combination shot causes your object ball to hit another and send it hurfing toward a pocket. This kind of shot is espocially useful in Nime Batt or in games where you must hit balls in order, but there's no hope of sinking the next ball in sequence The idea of a bank shot is to bounce the cue ball off a rail, causing it to hit





center. Hit the cue ball left of center, for instance, to cause it to spin right (clockwise) and curve slightly to the left. Enalish makes the object ball curve noticeably in the opposite direction.



your intended object ball. Use a bank shot when another ball is in the way of the one you want to hit.

When the object half



Hitting the cue ball below the center point puts draw on it, causing it to bounce ward when it hits the

Use side spin to create some interesting st on rail shots. Putting left spin or arrothe straight rail shot causes the object ball to bounce to the right when theirs the rail. Sho you'll hazing the rail, the coll comes back to fac, right, letting you he the object ball within



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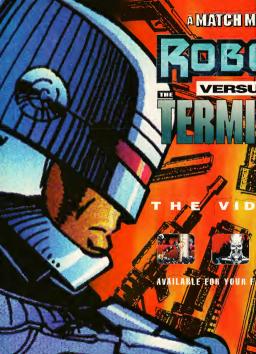




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s flying gunman zerous in you from above and is to finish you off with fire-shooting weapon.



Hames, speed, and razon-sharp plades combine to make this boss a neredible three to your hairy little lody.

## Deadly Devices







These machines take away your in a hurry if you linger too lo You can destroy everything but bear trap, but it's easier—safer—to avoid the









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he world has hoon thrown to chaos Men have been chanced into wolves.

buildings have suck into the sand, and mutant beasts roam free. People have abandoned cities to seek refuge in the countryside hiding like animals Armies begin to logit and of lage

From a remote corner of England, Baron Fortesque watches the confusion. The power-hungry autocrat has forced a scientist to create a Chans Engine to throw the world. into flux. But without warring. the machine imprisons Baron Fortesque and transforms him. into a homid beast. Meanwhile, the machine continues to after time and space



Enter the Soldiers of Fortune, mercenaries who each possess a special ability. You choose two from the six at your disposal, then send them into the harm's estate to destroy the machine. One highly recommended strategy. Go it alone. Enter atwo-player game. kill off the second character. free collect all the money for vourself

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Solofers of Fortune is a little like Gayarier... without even that much excitement. The oraphics are fine, and there are some interesting puzzles and other secretistuff, but the game's control leaves something to be desired. You usually wind up being more frustrated than challenged. On the other hand, if you can play with a friend, you could do worse than Saldvers of Fortune.

### The Z-Team



rigand: One of the

characters, you can't go wrong using him or the Mercenary - they're average at everything, although Brigand is

better looking.



vie: If you go it alone and kill off your second characer, either Navvie or the Thug would be your character of choice. He's slow, but very powerful.



tleman: Like the Scientist's aun. Gentleman's flamer passes through

monsters, so a single burst can injure more than one. His map is useful if you're on a level for the first time.



gun does all its damage in one shot - and you can't block his gun or the flamer either. Other characters' damage is divided among each bullet

from their multi-shot weapons and can he blocked.



Tactically, the only difference between

the Brigand and the Mercenary is each man's special power-up. The Mercenary's first-aid kit comes in mighty handy by the time you get it.



crowbar and twice as univ. but he also has the most powerful weapon and the longest life meter. You don't get a trenchcoat

or trendy ponytail, but you survive.

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Gentleman	Flamer	5		30	5		
Scientist	Lightning	6		27	1		
Navvie	Cannon	В		44	4		
Thug	Shotgun	9		49	7		
Character	Health i	Vlax Health	Speed	Max Speed			
Brigand	25	85	6	9			
Mercenary	25	85	6	9			
Gentleman	50	70	7	10			
Scientist	20	70	7	10			
Navvie	30	100	6	8			



tice the Gol em quarding the keys at point 2 can be

area 3. The gold key opens the bonus area to the southeast, the silver key, the path to the west. When you reach the bridge at 4 you can grab the gold key and head back north, or leave and continue south. Each route has a node, and it's impossible to activate them both. North is a little tougher, but also has more

bonus items. To activate the last node at 5, either drop a bomb into the pit or grab the gold key to the east. The Golem that comes out of the pit moves extremely fast for a guy made

out of stone. and the second of the











Take the south road at 1, then kill all the monsters along the porth route to open the path to the gold key. Be sure to kill the Lobber to the left of the steirs at 2 to open the bonus area to the north. You're surrounded by Chaos Beetles at 3 - grab the dynamite to destroy them, then watch out for frogs as you get the gold rings.

Be on the lookout for a face on one of the columns after getting the gold key at 4 - it opens the bonus area to the east. The ring at 5 moves the silver keys from the top of the rock. The last of the six gold keys in this level is at point 7. It opens exit B to a bonus area on the next level; you can reach it only if you have all the gold keys.











When you get to the set of silver keys at noint watch out for the fest frogs across the bridge.

ver keys at point 1, then grab the set

he takes more than one shot to kill

Also, watch out for the St

m quarding the nodes at the exit -

World I: The Forest

### Level 4: The Rockies



Exit B in level 3 leads to the southeast corner bonus area here. Shoot the block at 1 to open a path to the bonus items on the northern wall but you miss the rest of the level if you go that way. The cave at point 2 looks dangerous, but it

teleports you to the bonus area in the southwest. The node in the pit at 3 can be activated either by dropping a bomb down there or grabbing the node-activator icon. Keep moving if you use the icon - a whole crowd of Lobbers starts dropping stuff on you! You can shoot either of the two blocks at 4, but not both. The one to the right holds a gold key that opens stairs to the bonus







### Really Masty Masties



Fast, hard to kill your basic ous and dumb. nightmare.



Giant Lobber -It can't hit you if vou're close.





Granite Golem - Robot Dirt Davil - Well, anyway. they solo.









Two-Legged Toad — Can iumo onto walls so watch out!







Robot Jumper -These can also hop over for on ton off just about anything.

Robot Spider -They're robots, so they don't need a nest.



Dirt Devil -Sewer Monster Not the handy - It's shooting appliancel at me, and it doesn't have a head!



Skull - Don't be fooled just because it looks like a wall decoration



Launcher -Later, they shoot hom missiles. No li







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me. Did I say you were qwesome, too? Your loving kid,

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This Game Boy action title has only one pur-pose: to pit wrestler against wrestler, man against man, beast against beast — with no holds barred. So who's it going to be? Are you going to play as 6'8"Hulk Hogan? Massive Yokozuna? How about "Hit Man" Bret Hart? It doesn't matter because

there are a tons of giants from which to choose, including one you can create from scratch. Besides the King of the Ring tournament, this game offers one-on-one matches, tag-team bouts, and the World Wrestling Federation Championship Belt tournament in which you battle seven

opponents.

So are you a king ... or a wimp? If your heart races at the sight of a beautiful body slam or a textbook pin, then King of the Ring is your key to hours of fun.

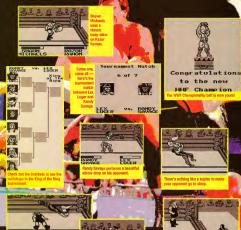
























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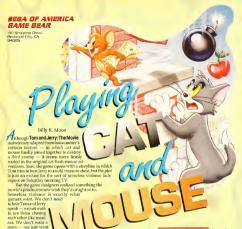
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Tom and Jorry succeeds in capturing that Saturday morning spirit in a couple of ways. First of all, the graphics falthough not necessarily the anianton) setually look. Blue carroon fare. Secondly, the whole game is just a heetic cat and mouse chaes. Although it is pretty violent, Tom returns unseathed after every explosion or other near-least beyerfare.

to see Tom blown to

soon or other near-desith experience.
Unfortunately, the traps and pitfalls show a general lack of creativity, Bombs and land mines are cool in themselves, but an occasional "fail in the electrical socket" trap would be appreciated. Even more important to the properties of the prop



Tom has a chance to uncover ancient treasure — but he must beat Jerru to it!

The pounce (8 button) is helpful as you move from platform to platform. In general, however, use it only if you have a clear shot at nabbing Jerry.



Since Tom doesn't have any real weapons, he spends most of his time avoiding traps Jerry's set for him. You can clear most obstacles with a normal jump (the A button).





Push Down to duck, enabling Tom to avoid the bouncing soccer balls.



essary hassles by staying on high platforms and walking safely over Jerry's attacks.



you're invincible for a few seconds. Take advantage of the time to pass over

If you do get hit.



Refill your energy with heart containers.



nearby spikes.

One of Jerru's two basic attacks is laying land mines, Tom can either jump over these or simply wait for them to explode.



Jerry can also toss bombs backword. If you're far enough behind, you can stop before the bomb reaches you.



Brooms move back for a few seconds, then briefly stop. You can pass them safely as long as they aren't moving.



level 3 are flying fish that keep lumping in his way. Use the normal lump as soon as they hit the water.



Keep running when you reach the cannons, Most of them fire harmlessly over your head - unless unu stop.





The mushrooms in the level-4 forest are particularly dangerous because they create a spread-fire effect. To avoid getting hit, run to the mushrooms' original position. allowing the debris to fall on either side.



You've got to hit the correct switches at the correct times to survive the final level. Make a wrong move, and you're prevented from grabbing muchneeded heart lars.

## Bonus Games



game at the end of each level lets you refill — and maybe expand your energy meter. The ed with

A bonus

first is a Pac-Manish maze filled with hearts. The bigger the heart, the more energy you get. Catch Jerry before time runs out, and your meter grows by one heart.



In the second banus game. Jerry moves from window to window, randomly tossing hearts and

explosives, if you collect enough hearts before you overdo it with explosives, your energy meter is filled and expanded by one

heart.

## Level Bosses



If you don't catch Jerry before he finishes a level, you must face a boss. The first is a bulldog that guerds Jerry. Lure him into the hole to the left, then jump over



When these two crows attack in level two, they come at your head from either direction. Duck to avoid them, then pounce on Jerry quickly before they attack again.



The third boss is nesty crustacean that spews pearls. Jump or duck to avoid a pearl missile, then do the opposite when it ricochets off the left well. If you avoid its blow, it blasts the crab instead — five hits, and he's outto there.



Evil bets sworm eround your head after the fourth level. Try to avoid them as you make your way toward the upper left corner. The switch there controls the platform over Jerry's head. Flip the switch, then head back down — you're home free.



snake. Use the tried-and-true crustacean strategy, but be prepared to dodge skulls that fall from the ceiling, too.

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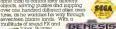


You've played these games, you know the score: First there were rapid rodents, then came

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venom-spitting cobra. A couple of bananas finish him off.



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# Doug Brumley

f you want to waste a little time, plop down in front of TV or grab the latest comic book. But if you want to kill time, pick up Time Killers, THQ's translation of the coin-op hit. The characters are smaller and the graphics have suffered a little in its journey from the arcade, but little else differs. For those of you who don't know the routine, h

on-one matchuns. The eras range from 20,000 B.C. to A.D. 4 chainsaws, and photon blades are among the wielded weapons. Just ma you're not on the wrong end of these wespons or you'll find out what fighting someone with ne arm fied behind your back is like. The only difference is that your arm won't be fied -it'll be gone As with all good (or bad) flighting games, Time Kitters lets you pound your friends in a two-player match. You can also take the one-player quest for immortality by facing all seven opponents, then a final battle with Death. Defeat Death and live forever

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ecial Move: Satellite Steet

### Dazed and Confused



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#### Doug Brumley

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You can upgrade your Silpheed after each stage - increasing left- and right-side main weapons as well as optional weapons fired from underneath the ship. Choose your entional weapons wisely - one may be more effective in a particular stage than the rest, and when you use an optional weapon in one stage, you can't use it in the next — or ever until you've picked up enough points to earn it again.







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The first boss is a piece of cake Attack hard while avoiding the projectiles it shoots at you.







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If this quest was simply a test of physical prowess, you would be all set. But the truth is your journey, will be filled with diabolically challes, ing puzzles, to order to save your sister from the evil Beast Master Zelek, you need to soour Kara-Moon and confront him face to face. But, to succeed you must master the most deadily weapon: your mind.

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new 16-bit machine could really be.

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Nowhishwinswarrior is back! Butwouldn't, you know it, the mega-diamon Tarora is back, too, and he's once again threatening the land

assembly of minor demons with him, so don't expect this battle to be easier than your last. Although the "Sam Wage" aspects from Actificise as missing in this scapul, the action stages of Actificises" 2 are still loop north. So stage on your winds — it's time to descand that

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r guiding spirit shows the way. Listen and be le One...





As a second

Your wings are your friend. To become airborne, Right, wait until you're at the peak of your jump, start gliding. This is the longest gap you can dea the legs out from under these nations — if you leave the legs, y explode!

There's a one-up set into one of the o Grab it, and you can keep playing thro no matter how often you





Just stay on the platforms and dor worry about the monsters on the shore. After you've hit the boss a few times, break off and kill the flying evolution Air/Lit rest/



The only advice for this ator note is that the





lought in a giant





Compared to going down the elevator computins tree is a snap

Don't bother being subtle with the flytrap. Run up and hit it as fast as you can — it should die before you do.



The boss, Fatigue, is also pretty sasy. Jump to hit him, and be



with these spikes — you don't want to leave 'em stickin' out now, do ya?

### TORTOISE ISL.



Buh... big crasss... BiG CRAST Stand on the middle leguntil its fee







ire overywhere! Take your time lowing through this area — there are more s than you can shake a stick at!





Stand on the deck on the far side of the screen until the boss drawn then jump up to the platform and hit him as he rises, jumping away

Attack from above, not below!



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The king has a bunch of different attacks, but if you keep away from him, you'll be CR. Hit him when you can — especially with dive-attacks. And remember, you can bat his big frebal right back at him!





The real treat is this stage — don't you just love games where you get to slay a dragor? No secret here just keep moving and stay alive, litting him when you get the chance.







The demon who threaters the land is a familiar one — don't ask as how to deal with it



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Actorser," Hashimoto says, "the tempo of the acton mode and the simulation modes were so diforent. Lout the simulation

cause I wanted to make a more up tampo and challenging game, while still kneping the atmosphere and the world from the original. There was always

making a sequid would be difficult.

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ase an even before game than the first one. It took us eight morths, and general milliand to action much more challenging."

Another change in the soquel is froit the game player has wings.

Hashimoto assis that the

theme of Achalor 2 is flying, so the wings were a natural development. The characters in the game also seem more carbon like. This is because it is easen to make the characters expressive if they're arrimation diswings. Knoking world of the make the music as expressive as the

characters but his distance—as with the original Advance—was to create the sound of an orchesta using the Super-Natural behinding. The compaser says he was inspired by dissocial music from the late 19th century when writing the distance? Service.

"There's no special relation between a game stage and the music," he says, "except inasmuch as I by to enhance and not destroy the game's atmosphere with my music."

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### YOU BRING THE LIGHTNING









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First Soccer Title for EA

Now that it has mastered football and hockey, Electronic Arts is turning its eye toward the world's most popular sport - soccer. FIFA International Soccer is currently inproduction for Genesis. The game features 40 international teams, each true to its own. playing style, and a three-quarter overhead perspective so players can see more of the playing field.

**GPSpo** 

Sony Imagesoft has delayed only maycoun nos verayev the release of ESPN Baseball Tonight until March. The extra time will be used to increase the memory compression and improve the graphics and game play.

Game Planers

Michael Meyers, Editor

#### U.K.'s Best Soccer Sim Crosses the Pond

Atlus's World Soccer '94: Road to Glory is the Super Nintendo version of England's critically acclaimed and popular success Striker, Created by Elite Systems. Soccer '94 has not just about every feature you could wish for --even an indoor soccer mode! What's even more impressive is that the game is only four megs, about half the programming space of its competitors. But what it does in those four mees deals a swift kick to other sims

take control of, for example, a "super" team. But once you've set your lineup and chosen from eight formations and six play styles (cautious, aggressive, and so on), you can select Super Cup play, all 64 squads in a singleelimination tournament: World Knockout pitting 8, 16, 32, or 64 teams in a three-to-six round contest (one loss equals elimination); World League, up to 64

The top-flight sound effects are also a highlight - especially the roars of the frenzied crowd. You can also customize a team, changing the uniform, hair color, skin tone, and play-

ers' names

If there's a drawback to World Cup Soccer

'94: Road to Glory, it's with its graphics. Since

you can only do so much with four megs of programming space, the play-

ers are small and fairly non descript. With the breakneck page of game play, this can affect your perception of your play-

ers in relation to the ball or the other team's members. Accurate slide-tackling is particularly tough. But once you get past the animation, it's easy to get into Soccer '94. The incredible number of options

adds to its replay value, and the game play is the best on the market. Just imagine what the designers could have done with eight megs! For Super NES from

Atlus, 17145 Von Karman Avenue: Suite 110: Irvine, CA 92714.



played twice, or Indoor Soccer Each of the 64 international It's this last option that's unique to Soccer '94. An indoor game is played with six men on a team with no out-of-bounds - it's a much faster challenge because of

teams .

teams in Soccer '94 has a roster of 16 players, 11 of whom start. You can juggle your lineup however you want - players are rated in 11 different skill categories from ball control to stamina. Unfortunately, there's no way to alter your player's stats, so you can't



'94. Slicing, hooking, and heading the ball are just a few of the offensive weapons at your disposal. And, of course, fouls are called quite closely, with the requisite yellow or red card issued at the referee's discretion

all the ricochets. Hats off to Atlus

fine features offered in Soccer

But that's only one of the

for adding this variation.



Graphics 5 Sound FX: 9 Music: 6 Rells & Whistles: 9 Play Control: 7 Replay Value: 9



### Sports Illustrated Football/Baseball

THO offers sports fans a "twofer" this year - as in



her the somewhat ill-fated Ro

Jackson Football/Baseball for NES and Game Boy? Probably not. But not to worry - Sports Illustrated is luckily in another class. For one thing, the game was designed by THO's new development partner, Malibu Interactive (led by sports veteran Bob Jacobs) Malibu's previous games include Cal Ripken Baseball for SNES and Genesis David Robinson Supreme Court Raskethall for Genesis, and the TV Sports products for TurboGrafx-

The football portion of Sports Illustrated features all the NFL franchises in the 1993 schedule - but don't look for your favoritenlayers The game doesn't have a players' license. It does, however, have a fairly unique perspective, a three-quarter overhead view similar to Nintendo's Super Play Action Football. When a

ballcarrier breaks away from the pack, the screen zooms in for a closeup. The Sports Illustrated players are smaller than those in Super Play Action, but they're much more realistically animated.



The baseball half of the came looks and plays a little like Call Rinken Basehall with a behind-



the-batter perspective that shifts to a bird's-eye three-quarter view to follow the ball. Once again, all the Major League franchises are included - even the new Florida and Colorado teams - but none of the players is amund

Sports Illustrated Baseball Football features full-season play for both sports and a password system to save your progress. It should hit stores before the end of the year.

For Super NES from Malibu Interactive (distributed by THO); 5016 North Parkway Calabasas; Suite 100; Calabasas, CA 91302,

### NFL Quarterback Club



Licensing has come to play a major role in the design of a sports simulation, If a company adds a league license (i.e., the NHL, NBA, etc.), its same can include the uniforms, team names, and leavue schedules. If a players' association such as the NHLPA is added, the developers can use names and likenesses of actual players. However, the NFL Ouar-

terback Club, which lists among its members the best OBs in football - Aikman, Cunning-

ham, Elway, Kelly, Moon, and Young, for example - is separate from the NFLPA license. creating a major pain for com-



panies trying to develop a realistic eridiron simulation Acclaim nabbed the OB

Club for its latest sports effort, then turned to those programming Aussies, the team at Beam Software (they also developed Acclaim's so-so NBA All-Star Challenge). NFL Quarterback Club is an overall enjoyable title for Game Boy, but it's fairly simplistic, and in the lone run, it doesn't have much to do with football at all. In the four-part competi-

tion of Quarterback Club, human players can control up to six of the OBs. Each quarterback accumulates points in the four contests, and the player with the most points at the end walks off with 30,000 videogame dollars. Individual prizes are also awarded to the top performers in each category.

Here's how the four events break out: the Accuracy competition tests your ability to hit six targets - one stationary and five moving. It's not hard to master this event, since the distance to each target is easily gauged by a horizontal meter at the bottom of the screen. The Speed and Mobility contest is an obstacle course that has your OB ducking a chin-up bar, run

ning cones, tackling a dummy, jumping a wall, then tossing a football at a stationary target. This is definitely the least interesting event: the quarterbacks seem to have the same running speeds (which is sure not true in real life!), so winning comes down to hitting a bull's-eye for a time bonus The button-bashing Dis-

tance competition has you thumping on the A and B buttons to make a meter rise so your OB can throw the ball far-

# Blow Em Away!

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The SN Programme blasts through your Street leave to Be 12rd 1ee opposition one by one. You can do a Dragon Punch', Spinning Pile Driver', Sonte Boom', Hurfrane Uppercut', Burn Knucke', Dragon Bullet's & many more by hitting one button. When you're done steking it to these tolging game, use the ProgramPad's 6 more specially with the program of the LCD Screen against himself. And check out the LCD Screen against himself. And check out the LCD Screen against himself and check out the LCD Screen against himself.

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### Super Baseball 2020



ther. You get two shots and your best attempt counts. It's a no-brainer that doesn't require much skill. Read and Recognition is a variation on the Accuracy event. Four targets move across the field. You're supposed to aim at the two blinking targets; hit either of the other

two and you're penalized points NFLOuarterback Club bas only average graphics and music, but the game play is enjoyable - especially if several folks play together. It's big problem, however, is that there's just not much to it. After only five minutes of game play, you're already looking at designer credits. It may have real quarterbacks in it, but they don't retain their actual strengths and weaknesses, which makes

choosing players a moot point. For Game Boy from Acclaim; 71 Audrey Avenue; Oyster Bay, NY 11771.

bat controversy in baseball. How about an aluminum nlaver controversy? Suner Baseball 2020. is a game for men of metal in which money makes the league go 'round.



Electronic Arts's Genesis version of this NEO-GEO game comes on the heels of the SNES game from Tradewest (see August, Vol. 6, No. 8). The only difference in the two is that EA includes the "crackers" of the original game the land mines placed on the field. You get more and more crackers in each inning, beginning with the second

Don't expect the strategy of a traditional baseball simulation in Super Baseball 2020 - it's more of a power-hitting contest in which each batter tries to blast the ball over the center-field fence. Center field is the only place where a nowerful drives counts as a homer: left and right field are consid-

You've beard of the aluminum ered "in-play," as is a good portion of the seating areas by first and third bases.

Two leagues of six teams do battle during a 15-game season. Your team can have humans, robots, or a mixture of both. The teams earn money for each good move - runs, fielding plays, strike-outs, and so on. It's up to you how to use the money to power-up your players. You can boost the power, fielding (speed), or pitching



ability of any human player, or replace any robot with a more powerful model. Like most NEO-GEO

games, Super Baseball 2020 had spectacular graphics. The SNES version duplicated them nerfectly, but the Genesis game. doesn't fare as well. The graph. ics seem washed out and vaguely unfocused, but the frantic, electronic music and bizarre robo-announcer voices remain true to the original.



Even if you're a simulator purest who frowns on "frivolous" sports games, you should give Super Baseball 2020 a try. It's mindless sports maybem that's a lot of fun to play

For Genesis from Electronic Arts: 1450 Fashion Island Blyd.: San Mateo, CA



Graphics: 7 Sound FX: 7 Mosic: 7 Bells & Whistles: 3 Play Control: 6 Replay Value: 6

### YOUNG SCOPE

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Graphics 5 Sound FX: 5 Music: 5 Bells & Whistles: 4 Play Control: 7 Replay Value: 3

It comes as no surprise to sportsgames fans that Electronic Arts is better at creating Genesis games than SNES. A conversation with some EA programmers sheds some light on the subject. The consensus is that Genesis is simply an easier machine to work on, while Super Nintendo is, to quote an EA producer, "a major pain."

NHL

That helps explain why NHL Hockey and John Madden Football are Genesis classics while the SNES translations of the same games have been only average, with spotty animation and poor game play. But EA seems to have solved most of its SNES problems with NHL '94. which isn't as fantastic as the Genesis version ... but it's closer than ever before. NHL '94 has goalie con-

trol, penalty shots, a shoot-out mode, individualized rink music, and an NHL license. But most importantly, NHL '94 moves almost as smoothly on Super NES as it does on Genesis.



The SNES NHL '94 differs from the Genesis version because it doesn't have a battery backup - vou must enter a lengthy password instead - and you can't save stats, either, which is a major bummer. But



on the plus side, the colorful SNES player profiles look much better than the Genesis's B&W ones, and the sound effects, from the crunch of hard, board chacks to the slash of steel blades on ice, are superior.

Many of the same new features of the Genesis game are found in the SNES NHL '94 too. For example, the NHL license really enhances the look of the same, with accurate home

Sega's first effort under the

Sega Sports banner is

Wimbledon, a one-to-four player

(simultaneous, with five-player

adaptor) tennis simulation. Ten-

nis isn't usually what compa-

nies pick to launch a new sports

lineup, but Sega's taking extra

care with some of its "money"

titles, such as World Series Base-

hall. NBA Action Hosted By

Mary Albert, and NFL Football

'94 Starring Joe Montana. So.

Wimbledon bears the burden of

the first Sega Sports seal.



Other new features include manual goalie control, penalty shots, and a special shoot-out game. On offense you have two new weapons at your disposal





--- "flip passes" that let you pass the puck through the air up ice. and the "one-timer" pass to an open teammate, who catches and shoots the puck in one quick motion

Electronic Arts wasn't able to create a smoothly animated John Madden for Super NES until its third try, and NHL '94 is only its second time at but so to speak But much of the kinks have been worked out since NHLPA Hockey '93, and SNES owners finally have a hockey simulation that rivals the Gen-

esis counterpart. For Super NES from Flactronic Arts: 1450 Fach. ion Island Blyd.: San Mateo. CA 94404

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#### Wimbledon

After several average attempts Several innovations in Wimhledon indicate that the Sega at high-quality sports simulations for Genesis, Sega of sports ours are serious when America has gotten serious. they make their ambitious claims Gone are the days of sub-par about upcoming titles. These five efforts that feature a big-ticket unusual options can be turned athlete and nothing more. Nowaon or off before each match bedays, the "Sega Sports" brand gins, and they really enhance the marks a commitment to realistic game. For example, the Color 16-bit sports. We hope. Signal alters the hue of the ten-

nis ball, helping you make the precise sbots. Dynamic Sizing gives the ball a 3-D look by increasing or decreasing its size as it rises and falls - an especially important option since different court surfaces result in different types of bounce. A Timing Chime pings the moment a ball clears the net.

This should help you time your swing. but the action moves pretty quickly soit's often not effective. The

Bound Pointer is more helpful, placing a mark where a hit ball should bounce. Since your view of Wimhledon is slightly higher above the players than in most sums, this belos you set up for your return shot.

But Wimbledon's coolest innovation is its Locus Display which shows the flight noth of every volley or serve. The flight path is shown as a green, ghostly image - a chain of luminescent orbs that extends from the racket. over the net, to the other side of the court. It also indicates how high the bounce will be.

While Wimbledon doesn't offer the broad array of sbots that some Super Nintendo titles do, its game play is more than their equal. Even using all the helpful enhancements, you've got a tough challenge against computer players. Graphically, the players are on the small side.

but they're quite detailed. There's a good selection of players -24 in all - playing atten skill levels and rated in six categories. Apassword sys-

tem lets you save

Graphics; 7 Bells & Whistles: 8 Play Control: 8 Replay Value: 7 **OVERALL RATING: 8** 



vour progress an articulate decidedly British announcer calls

the score, and a well-mannered crowd applands after each came Wimbledon is a great start for the Sega Sports line. If the Sean programmers reneat this success with the rest of their simulations. Sega might chal-Jenge Electronic Arts as King of

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### The Addams Family

## OCEAN

Michael Foster

Abigail Craven has Uncle Fester underherspell-literally! The witch has bewitched Fester into helping her kidnap the rest of the Addams family, with the exception of Gomez, Now it's up to him to save the rest of the family - and the family fortune from Abigail's clutches



Grab the Fezi-copter and fly around the mansion. Be sure to search the chimneys.



Boff balls can dispel



All walls are not created equal check for secret

To reach objects that are too high, jump on a monster and don't take your finger off the button. This makes Gomez jump high







Gomez starts with five lives, but he can sustain only two hits before dving. You can banish most monsters by jumping on them, but watch out for the ones with spikes - you can get rid of them, but it costs you an energy heart. And remember that when you leave a board and return. so do the monsters What could have turned out to

be a boring Mario clone is actually an interesting and challenging game. The Addams Family has a lot of variety, and it's complex without being impossible. Those Addamses may be spooky and kooky, but this game is just plain fun.



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# Captain America and the Avengers

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Liptain America and the Acceptors is pretty basic when compared to other recent comic-book based games (i.e., the awesome X-Mm for Genesis). The Cap'ra and his crew man the streets, beating up on both small-time crooks and bona fite surper villains, all of whom are under the control of the infamous Red Skull. John who have the control of the infamous Red Skull whole, the game works well for several reasons.

For example, the gaws at

Mindscape have gone out of their way to inject the game with an old-time comic-book feel. From the opening stadght-from-the-comic sexposition screen to the heroes' patriotic zest, you get the impression that you're participalingina giant parody of the comic-book world of yestry-war in which even the dightzed narrator has a perfect voice for such inspired cominess.



And although the combatis fairly generic, the boys are equipped with enough special moves to keep it in teresting. It settl a facery from Street Fighter II, but the choice of attacks combined with the choice of characters adds enough strategy to make Captain America more interesting than the usual street righting ames. There's even a training mode that allows you to roractice your special allows you to roractice your special



regular attack, then use the directional button to attack from above. Here's a powerful drop kick.

attacks in competition with a fellow avenger controlled by a second player. Cantain America does suffer from

a few flaws. The occasional slow-down doesn't Autra game play, but it does add to the overall "rougharound he edges" impact of the game. Also, initiating a special attack is much too complicated — if you ended up with Abortal Kombat finishing move, then it would be worth the effort, but the basic slide or drange in Captain America should have been given its own button.



Hawkeye battles the bad guys with powerful explosive arrows.



heroes' special
weapons with
the A button. Captain America demonstrates
his boomerang shield.



Hawkeye also has the best special attack. To perform his killer slide, press and hold A, launch yourself into a forward run, then tap A again when you near the other side of the soreen. Cool Move #2: Toss
that Peon. Lesser
villains can be destroyed by stamming
them against the
concrete. Get
directly beside

concrete. Get directly beside them, pick them up with the Y button, then hit Y again to throw them.









boys can also do the flight thing. Combine the two by jumping, then pressing A to fire while hovering in midsir.



during a particularly high jump, the laser blasts at an angle.



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# Cliffhanger

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They couldn't leave you hanging any longer-would they or wouldn't they? Well, they did, Last summer's highest-flying action/adventure is now an SNES game. In Cliffhanger, you play Gabe Walker, a Rocky Mountain rescue ace, whose sole quest is to save your friends and pulverize the megalomaniac Qualen and his band of crazed fugitives.

Cliffianger is a typical beat-upthe-bad-guys game, with seven levels of action that basically follow the movie's plot. You're searching for three metal cases that together contain \$100 million in cold cash. Once you have them, you can trade the money for the lives of your friends. Of course, you've got plenty of competition as you search for the money....



You get the weapons of the bad guys you beat up. For the best results, try to get your hands on a oun





Although the Sylvester Stallone movie was full of action, the SNES game doesn't live up to expectations. The play control is sluggish, and if you lose all your lives, you end up continuing from back at the beginning of the level instead of where you died. You can't save game progress, either, so Cliffhanger gets frustrating fast. It looks good, but you just climb, run, shoot, and jump ravines. Maybe you should just rent the movie instead.

# \_\_\_\_

The super-kick is your hest defensive and offensive move but use it sparingly - it really







Try to time your movements and attack





Using a knife increases your attack power, but you can get in first licks by throwing it, too.

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# Bram Stoker's Dracula

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Bram Stoker's Dracula is loosely based on last fall's spooky movie extravaganza: As you may recall, that vuppie of vesteryear, Ionathan Harker, tries to rescue his flancee from the evil fanes of Count Dracula. This video game shares the

movie's locales and primary villains. but it really doesn't follow the plot. In fact, the only consistent reminder of the game's inspiration is the videogame hero's resemblance to his bigscreen counterpart, Keanu Reeves. But most game veterans will recognize a much larger resemblance to another vampire classic - the Castlevania games, Dracula follows the game play and atmosphere of that series almost shamelessly. Well. OK. Genesis needs a Castlevania game, and Bloodlines is still a few



weeks away.

a weapon to use against the upcoming hace Heart his warrie



Spikes pop out of the ground without notice, so move slowly and watch closely.



whip, move in for a quick strike, then quickly back off. It's

wait for him to crack his



Energy refills are few and far between, so be sure to search thoroughly for the few available. Look for this flask in a secret room hebind a wall on the second level

You're chased by a trio of demonsessed women after you face the dragon. Move as quickly as possible. but don't fornet to watch for spikes.

Time to face old Dracul. His formula: stand still, shoot downward, shoot across. Your formula: attack jump on left platform, return quickly to lower platform.



comer of the morn. then use your sword to cut through the cord holding up this weight. Return to the bottom of the board to find the new passageway.

while they

By in the air, then move quickly to avoid them when they land. Duickly stash away white they're earthhound.

Don't panie if you don't have a good you face the hose Simply

on nauses his fire-hees

after every third blast, Attack

Unfortunately Dracula may look like Castlevania, but it has so many rough edges that it'll cut va if you're not careful. In addition to the unpolished sound and graphics, here's an example of game

play: During much of the game, you must locatevarious special weapons that make boss-bashing easier. If you're killed in the middle of a level, however, you probably won't get the chance to nab the special weapon, so you end up losing more lives fighting the hose That makes a continue feature more annov-

ing than helpful. Combine that with an illogical damage system (step on a mouse, lose one container: impale yourself on a giant spike, lose one container) and several other minor grievances, and you come

up with a game that just isn't as good as it should have been.

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You get safety tips between

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ormally, the only thing these guys have to worry about is doing a ang-up job in safety testing. That is, until the insane crash dummy known as Junkman kidnaps Dr. Zub. When that happens, everyone goes to pieces of course, in safety testing, everyone is always going to pieces. But now you better pull yourself together and rescue the good doctor.

In Incredible Crash Dummies. you travel through four different zones - each with multiple stages, a mechanical-menace boss to dismantle. and a bonus stage. You're under a time limit, so you must quickly find the giant spring that launches you into the next area. Your biggest challenge, however, is keeping yourhead. And your legs, And your arms, Falling to pieces is rather easy when you consider the wide variety of unusual obstacles you must avoid. Watch out for pogo-parking meters, mini-tanks, circular saws, toy planes, exploding light bulbs, wrecking balls, land mines, runaway cars, and toxic goon ... just to name a few hazards. The Incredible Crash Dummies has

interesting levels, lots of specialty items, hidden screens, and tons of action. These characters may be dummies, but you'll find yourself cracking up more than they do.



Climb on these light posts to reach

Sometimes sliding is the only way Take out the boss in this mad mixer by

jumping on top, then

a to land on too



launcher and angle upward

Use the sideways

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ends, then lay low for a while.





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# King of the Monsters

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Although King of the Monsters has been around in various video-game formats (a sequel is already out), this is the first Genesis version. The plot however, is the same: four supermonsters fight each other while being attacked by airplanes, tanks, and other weapons of war. Think of it as a Street Fighter game crossed with an old Godzilla vs. Rathadon-style B movie

While that might sound like cheesy fun, the problem with King of the Monsters is that these monsters just aren't very interesting. Instead of quality B-movie antiheroes, you've got guys who look like they were rejected at The Avengers tryouts and went on a city-wide rampage in re-

venge. What's more, once you peel off the warts and scales, the fighters are all the same. Sure, Beetle-Mania might perform an Atomic drop instead of a mere back-drop like the rest of the crew, but none of the characters really takes on a distinct personality. The individual scenes have that same sense of sameness. When you reach the final city. Tokyo, for example, it looks like just another generic city that happens to have an occasional hint of Japanese architecture.

Choose one of four then fight against a friend or the

That generic quality goes for the technical aspects as well - especially in the graphics. If one blue guy is fighting another, it can be hard to tell where monster A ends and monster B begins. By the same token, the mundane music could drive you honkers And for a fighting game. King of Mousters has only the standawl moves you've seen a thousand times before.

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Geon's power weapon is the Flame Crusher - a stream of flame sure to take out anything in its nath.



Rocky can crush ponents with his Rocky Bomber - a truly powerful weapon that bears many similarities to



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Astro Guy fires powerful Flash Waves, which distinguish themselves from Flame Crushers by their blueness.

anguisty press the C and A buttons to drop-kick your opponent.



Close in on WILL SUBSTIN then press Down and A for a killon qualcy



opponent into the concrete



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# Lock On

## view

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#### Erik Lundrigan -----

With the fall of the Soviet Union, military superpowers are forced to slash their budgets, resulting in a huge surplus of advanced hardware High-techwean-

ons are soon appearing for sale on the international black market and an unknown nower has used the all-too-available hardware to attack a Middle Fastern country. It's your job to engage the enemy and destroy his forces

Even though air-combat simulations have evolved to a shockingly real level, the good old-fashioned Afterburner arcade-style fighter games have survived Lock On has taken this an extra step; combining air combat with ground-attack strike missions. The pace is fast, and there are always plenty of bogies at which to shoot

Lock On is tough at first - there are 22 enemies to destroy in your very first mission - but once you get the hane of the weapon systems, you should be knocking 'em out of the sky. You're given a choice between two aircraft at the beginning of each mission, and you can also adjust the number of missiles with which you plane is equipped. You probably The A-10 is won't need extra, however; there's an awful lot of ordnance slung under. your wing. Since there's no password feature, be sure to use the option screen and load up on credits before you begin.



your officer He briefs you on the current

Make sure you choose the right aircraft for each mission. Each has its own good and had

noints. The FS-X (an F-16 derivative) is great, but you can't go wrong in the

use them When the lock square appears, keep the



air brake and roll maneumors motil be's right in front of you (don't forget to flores too) then smark him with a

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attack olane with en it's always a good choice. Don't come in at too steep angle, or you won't be able to pull up

in time...

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and you'll become a smoldering hole in the cround

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Shoot down

these incoming ICRMs, and vou're rewarded ith extra planes.

wait for a lock

square, and fire

before he has a

chance to shoot

Line up the enemy in front of you with worr radar.

Do a loop to get behind someone on your tail. But remember to come out of afterburner once the maneuver is complete, or you fly right by him and take the

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monsters

The only way to fix things is to nah the animals and throw them into jail cells until the wizard can repair the damage-if you're able to return him to his magical self! As you avoid dangers such as poison pools, slick platforms, and conveyor belts, you must capture the creatures. But if you spend too

much time on any level, the animals begin to escape. Magic Boy is a colorful. nicely donegame with enough

levelsto keep you coming back for more.



ne ice souares make moving tricky. Be areful not to stide into any



Be ready to duck - som enemies shoot at you



Lots o'springs Like blocks. they help you mach high levelo

Hee these blocks to reach higher

A CONTRACTOR The conveyor belts in Future World



Shoot the eels in Wet World first then move unward



stage.





Look un before you loan in Plastic World



Those dogs aren't for petting, so watch where you lump.

It's Wooly Dog - no cuddly

creature but a shooting enemy!

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# Micro Machines



Jonathan Gagnon

f you've always dreamed of racing vehicles across pool tables, school desks, and bathtubs, then hold on to your helmet - welcome to Micro Machines. Who needs hot asphalt when you can race through your house as one of 11 different racers in one of nine different Micro Machines on 32 different tracks? There's no way you're going to

tire from this game! You can race in the Challenge level against all the racers, or you can go head-to-head with a friend. There are even bonus time trials if you're good enough to place first in three

different races.

Unlike a lot of video games based on toys, Micro Machines is original, fun, humorous, and colorful, Since you can set the drivers' handicaps. you can decide how much challenge you want, and increase the skill level

as you gain practice. But here's just a little advice: don't slip in the milk, that ruler is probably a bridge, and watch out for those bubbles!

Oil slick: to be awaided



You can race in Challenge mode or head-to-head with a friend.





down for corners!



Bubbles cost you precious seconds, but you can gain time if you push your opponent into them.

cereal - it's part of the track.



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#### atrick McGee ----

As Pierre le Chef, you're about to prepare your famous soup - when all your ingredients decide to make a run for it. You're only choice is to chase after your food to

save your recipe from You travel through

48 levels in six countries armed only with a big net and a massive appetite. Once vou've stunned.jumped.orcornered a vegetable or

other ingredient, you can put it in a cage for safekeeping. Get rid of the particularly nasty vegetables before they make mincemeat out of you!

Specialty items such as wooden spoons, flaming flambe, or magic aprons add spice to Out to Lunch, and secret bonuses and hidden levels are sweet to find. There's also a one-ortwo-player option and a highscore table that keeps track of the lead chof

Theonly downfall in Out to Lunch is that the play control is a little weaka big disadvantage when you spend your time chasing things. It's also difficult to judge your distance from the various food items. If you get too close, you're knocked down and drop all the

food you've collected. But Out to Lunch has a great game concept, and you have to admire the

designers for its fun, but nonviolent theme. It's fun to chase after food that doesn't follow a set pattern, but instead runs from you with some intelligence. Out to Lunch lets you play with your food and not get in trouble for it!







for evil Chef Noir - he lets all the food out of the cage.





this spring to sch the magir on, which

If you find these bells, ring each one once (starting from the left) then grab the giant snowllake to enter a secret warp.

# COMING SOON....











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# Paperboy 2

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GAME GEAR

Aim Is crucial If you want to pop he paper into the





Look - a nice new car with shiny windows

# Jonathan Gagnon

Grab your trusty bike you've got a new route. In Paperboy 2 for Game Gear, The Daily Breeze is counting on you to deliver the local news, sports section, and crossword puzzle to its many customers. But this ain't no jovride.

You must use your motorcross smarts to dodge runaway baby carriages, crazy skateboarders, and many unfriendly dogs, all the while keeping perfect aim with your stack of papers, The Daily Breeze doesn't listen to excuses - if you screw up. you're outta there.

If you played Paperboy for other systems, you know what to expect from this game, Likewise, if you liked it for other systems, you're going to enjoy this one. However, if you own the game already, there's nothing new here to entice you. Your only option is whether to play as a boy or girl, and the only differences between the two are a pink bike vs. blue and a ponytail vs. short cut.



thief with a paper

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Study your route to see where your subscribers live.



Water jumps are only part of the training course.



piles of newspapers

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PAPERBOY PAPERGIRL

What's it going to be - paperboy or papergirt?

The Baily Breeze

Keep those subscribers happy, or it's hasta la vista, baby,

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# STRATEGIC THINKING. KILLER INSTINCTS.



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shrewd and cunning mind, you'll face the most ferocious intergalactic cambat yet seen. Mechworrior. One of the most original games even developed.



It's the year 3027.

Revenge is your motive. A Bottlemech is your method. Outmonsever, austrance and outlight the Dark Wing Lonce. Pursue every lead.

Trock them to the furthest corners of the oldays. But yo' gotto be smart. Only a great

strotegy can ensure victory. Use your missiles, connons, losers and jumpjets wisely if you expect to defeat your crafty faes. Your reword? More money to build more powerful 'Mechs, critical to



campleting your ever more complicated missions.

Perched in the control room of o 60-ton 'Mech, incredible 3-D grophics allow you to commond the oction. Use the practice made and

Use the practice made and save game features to jump straight into the action. Whether you choose instant action or the rewords of an entire cambat career, it's

choose instant action or the rewords of an entire cambat career, it's sure to make you sweat ACTVISION.

# Race Drivin'

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# Doug Brumley

Just when you thought driver's education taught you all you really need to know behind the wheel... You learned to stay in your lane, keen a safe distance behind the carin

front of you, and, most importantly, never ever speed Well you'd better mil down the window and throw out that driver's ed mentality

if you expect to get the most out of Race Drivin', This Genesis cart is the home version of the arcade hit but without the arcade's realistic steering wheel, pedals, and stick shift, Since you use only a normal controller, putting the car through its paces takes quite a bit more dexterity especially when choosing to shift the car manually.

Although cruising along at speeds reaching 140 mph may give you quite a rush, colliding head-on with an oncoming 18-wheeler may not have the same effect And taking a corkscrew at over 120 mph may be exhilarating, but one wrong move could be the equivalent of bungee-jumping without a cord. You get to relive all the fiery wrecks on instant replay, which takes you out of the driver's seat to give you an aerial

view of the scene. Precious seconds are added to



Race Drivin' offers three pre-designed tracks autocross, super-stant, and the criginal Hard Drivin' stunt-and-speed track. You can also design your own.

the clock as you pass various track checkpoints, butifyourupout of time your car dies in midvroom. Another timer keeps track of your lap time - if you beat the

qualifying time on either the original or the super-stunt track, you're challenged by that track's defending champion. Beat him, and you become the champ.

In general, Race Drivin' doesn't capture the realism and excitement of its arcade counterpart. But for armchair racers, it's worth your time to buckle up and give it a test drive.

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Hon into a roadster, sportster, or speedster - whichever suits your fancy. Each car offers automatic or manual transmission

Slow down for turns by tanning -

not holding - the brakes

Use the speedlimit signs before iumps and loops to know how much to speed up or slow down

rkscrew, make sure your car is centered in

sharp left turn when you leave the cork-

the right lane, then hold down the accelerator

until you reach flat land again. Be ready for a

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eat the qualifying time to earn a shot a

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racing the track championship



# Rex Ronani Experimental Surgeon

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its power to stop Dr. Ronan.

# Jonathan Gagnon

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he tobacco industry had better watch out - there's a new here in town: Rex Ronan. The goal of this doctor/hero is to stamp out smoking as well as fight the diseases brought on by that pasty habit. As Rev you bravely volunteer to

he shrunk to near-microscopic size in order to perform highly experi-



victim. Your patient - or guinea pig - is Take Westborn, who desperately needs something to eliminate the buildup on his teeth, the tarin his lungs, and the rest of his body's reactions to years of smoking, Making matters worse for poor Jake, a tobacco company has injected robots

into him to keep the experiment from being a success.

OK sure Rev Ronanis an educational game that's a little heavy on the preaching. But it addresses a serious subject, and Raya Systems has done a good job of translating boring tobacco statistics into an action eame. It doesn't do any harm to use game systems to educate and inform. and Rex Ronan is a fun, interactive way to relay a serious message to kids of all ages.

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off the leukoplakia.



ake Westboro once sold cigarettes, but now he's dying from them. His only hone is Dr Rex Ronan.

The disease fighting is a disorder of the mucus







Slowly move from left to right and destroy each enemy you encounter - that way you're not fighting ten guys at once

GRAPHICS SOUND FX MUSIC BELLS & WHISTLE CONTROL REPLAY VALL -6



# Rocket Knight Adventures

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Ammilias struck gold with one of its best 16-bit titles yet, Rocket Knight is best 16-bit titles yet, Rocket Knight is Spandsete; if sup to you to lead the Rocket Knights into battle against heevil foreces of Emperor Devotindos and Aske Gear, the Black Knight is the support of the Spandsete, it is supported by the Spandset is principled by the Spandset is better the Span

The game play in Rocket Knight is reminiscent of early 8-bit hits such as Capcom's Mega Man. There's a fresh challenge around every corner — the game never lags in any one place long enough to become tiring or repetitious. As in many action titles, much of the game's success rests on its star character. Is

ces rests on its star character. Is he easy to control? Is he well animated? Does he possess unique abilities that add to the overall structure of the game? Sparkster's answer is "yes" in every case—plus he's one good-lookin' possum.

Rocket Kinelit Adventures sives

you the classic game play that established Konami back in the early days of video games, as well as the 16-bit graphics and state-of-the-art technology of today. Now all we need is a Sparkster/Simon Belmont team-up!

Missiles rain down as Sparkster arrives in a war-torn future-scape maybe he should have just stayed





Konami and a new hero is born — Sparkster the Rocket Knight!!!





## Big Bruisers



Flying stages add variety by incorporating traditional shooter game play.

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After cleaning the spike on the rail cart, be on the lookout for borning to spidiers.

Either stay in close or keep your distance to avoid their attack — just don't get caught in the middle.



This tank gunner is only the

This tank gunner is only the first of the game's many large bosses. Fly over him when he nears the screen's left and attack him from GRAPHICS
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Arena's Mortal Kombat' Prepare yourself for a plunge into the pit as Johnny Cage delivers his patented, rib-shattering Shadow Kick.



Eternal Champions" Use Shadow's Flying Step to stomp on Larcen.



# Some kids won't see the advantages



Streets of Rage 2" Blaze flattens Galsia with her karate chop.



Electro Brain's Best of the Best Championship Karate' Rearrange his brains when you hit this kick-boxing foe with a Round House.























Capcom's Street Fighter II": Special Champion Edition Ryu takes a bite out of Sagat when you use his Dragon Punch.



Greatest Heavyweights
This round is over
when you left jab the
big bruiser.



# OF ACTIVATOR. THEN IT WILL HIT THEM.

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regular controller down't have a chance, unless you've completely out
of these. It's not extend fair field, had we core about being fair?



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# Spellcraft





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Billy R. Moon

Spellcraft, as the name implies, is a role-playing game with heavy emphasis on building experience and using magical spells. At the beginning of the game, you're introduced to Garwayen, a great wizard, who immediately informs you he's picked you as his successor when he retires. To this end, you must travel through Valoria to learn magical abilities. As Spellcraft progresses, you dis-

cover formulas for a multitude of spells, as well as the various elements and materials you must combine to make the magic work. Unfortunately, evil monster types are prevalent, and they'd love to see you





aside to dodge their blows...



weapons pass you by. You must dodge in a certain direction for each enemy attack.

Dodge leftwhen this guy swings sword. but if he attaches



his head to its tip, dodge right. You can take him out with a relentless, steady attack,

fightyour way through the Dark World for a second chance at life. Unfortunately, your magic does you no good here. Combat is handled in semi real-

time - similar to the interface in Electronic Arts' Immortal (and other games), Basically, you're on-screen with your opponent and can dodge his blows or lunge with one of your own. Most enemies can be defeated if you master a certain combination of dodges and blows. This may be appreciated by action fans, but roleplayers may prefer the menu-strateey arrangements more common to true RPGs As a whole, Spellcraft is a good

game, but it's fairly generic. The cookbook approach to spellcasting is better than the overly complicated methods used by lots of magic-oriented RPGs, but that's really the game's only original element. Spellcraft depends on a dated gaming concept that just can't compete with more upto-date RPGs. However, there aren't that many RPGs for Super Nintendo, so Snellcraft's release is worth celebration for that fact alone.

The greatwizard Garwayen is your quide through Vatoria. Heed the advice he gives each time you discover something new.

ith a faithful assistant lina. She sa reat help to you in the







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# We're Back! A Dinosaur's Story

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Patrick McGee

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hud.thud.thud...rumble...ROAR!

We're Back! is a new action game featuring the world's most visible extinct creatures - dinosaurs

But unlike the critters running loose in Jurassic Park. the We're Back! dinosaurs are cute and friendly. You play Rex.a Tyrannosaurus Rex.one of a group of time-traveling dinosaurs running around New York City. Your friends have been kidnapped by evil Professor Screweyes,

and it's up to you to rescue them. Rex is a very unusual dinosaur; he can throw an endless supply of rocks and can climb trees, ropes, and buildings. Throughout each level, he collects dinosaur eggs and brain power - once he has enough brain power, he can perform the mighty Tail Swipe and Thunder Stomp. He can also call on one of four dinosaur friends for help, Woog knocks down walls. Dweeb fights anyone in your way. Elsa flies you to bonus areas, and Vorb provides extra brain power.

Each of the three levels in We're Back! has three zones. At the end of each level you must do battle

Use your super-run to avoid these falling scaffolds in Manhattan, Zone 2.

with the professor's latest weapon of destruction. The action is lighthearted, as befitting a game based on a kid'smovie. It's nottoo elaborate, but it can be challenging although different difficulty lev-

els help even up the odds. You should check it out if for no other reason than to hear Rex's really cool roar. -----

Don't stay on the tracks too long in the subway. That train really leaves you feeling run

find Elsa, you can fly to special bonus areas



The evil

In Zone 1 of the Thanksolving Parade level, call on Weed to knock down this wall there's a one-up

essors in the Balloon Blowout lovel dron hombs in Vshaped patterns them, then jump on top of the gondols



- there's a one-up in this one.

Look for the form area in the zoo, It's ed with brain



you're up against the Crazy Crane, Remember to duck under the scoops.





Your final controntation is with the evil professor and his mechanical dinosaur.

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# The Wizard of Oz

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## Billy R. Moon

Forget the classic L. Frank Baum books - this video game is strictly based on the equally classic 1939 film Since the average viewer has had the pleasure of watching that particular movie at least 56 times, it should be obvious what to expect in a videogame adaptation. Unfortunately this title doesn't quite make the trek down the vellow brick mad

The problem with The Wizard of Oz is that if it's going to be based on the movie, it should stick to the plot. The action that follows Dorothy is obvious filler while the real action scenes - such as the tomado that brings her to Oz - are used only as an intro sequence. By the same token, Dorothy's visit in Munchkin Land is reduced to one scene in which you invade Munchkin homes and fight their furniture while collecting jewels to throw at frogs and

The Wizard of Oz also manages to fall short in the technical department. It takes some effort, for example, to recognize the songs used in the soundtrack, despite the fact that it's one of the most recognized musicals ever. The notes are there. but the bollow-sounding instrumentation results in an overly muddy sound that only gets worse if you connect the SNES to a quality stereo.

The simple fact of the matter is that this cart doesn't take advantage either of the SNES capabilities or the movie on which it's based. It's not a bad game, per se, but with the material Seta had to work with, it could have been a whole lot better.



vellow bricks that she throws at her enemies. Her supply is limited, though, so use them sparingly















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inside, use the Scarecrow to chop away



then switch back to Dorothy and float to the upper left. Drice you've gotten the magic bow, exit the mill, then reenter and repeat the process until your floating stores run out of juice.



Since the Tin Man is made of metal, he can walk safely through some of the swamps that fry his fellow travelers





cornfields, where crows are a onstant problem. Once you've rescued the Scarecrow, switch to his character and scare away the birdles





Sa let some other eedigt mow the neighbor's lawn, It's time to play Buckeraas-and make meellions the Ren & Stimpy way.



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When you're in the biz, you hear things. Strange things, Disturbing things, Things that no man, woman, or child should ever know.

Sometimes we hear game stuff, too. For instance, Sena's Virtua Fighters will be coming to Genesis in late '94 after its stint as an arcade game. Look for the same polynon. technology as in Sega's Virtua Racing. . And speaking of fighting games. American Sammy will bring Survival Arts to arcades in early '94 and possibly to home platforms soon after. . Even though Bandai won't be showing at the Winter CES, don't count it out. its Mighty Morphin' Power Rangerstoys are at the top of the charts and primed for SNES and Genesis release sometime next soring a Amonaut will develop for Electro Brain the first third-party Super FX game, called Citadel. You knew it had to happen - Sena has the license to Barney the Dinosaur. . FCL not American Sammy, will be releasing the longdelayed Might and Magic III, the mousecompatible BPG for Super Nintendo, If you

can find a copy of Razursoft's Stormford that contains the "show-all" fairles grab it - it's the hottest collectible since Tengen's original Tetris. . Congratulations to ASCIL recently

named vendor of the year by Toys 'R' Ust That's a lot of rapid-fire, fellas! That's it. My brain hurts.

The Games We Wanna Plau

- Jurassic Park CD: Where is it? Where "V Sure good games take time to program, but at this rate P (2) must be the best game ever
- Genesis Shadowrun: Sepal's Shadowrun still hasn't seen the light of day, but new projects like the Johnny Mosumonic move have put us in the mood!
  - NBA '94: Bulls vs. Suns: Look for feet, smooth-moving players and hot new feetures. Plus, it's the Africa nigge year negret, eee If you year vinn
- Speed Racer: Speed's cool an' all, but what I really warns see is Pops Racer back in action! Yeally He'd whip 'em all - even the monkey!
- Castlevania: Bloodlines: Voremi's tad-box Belmont is etil numero uno this month. You sick. twisted Mortel Kombatfans will love the blood 'n' core

Jungle Strike fans will love AH-3 Thunderstrike - it puts you right in the cockpit! JVC takes full advantage of Sega CD's advanced scalingand-rotation effects with full-throttle, in-yourface warfare! There are a number of top-secret missions from which to choose, including a raid on arms-runners, battling river pirates, liberating a town, and much more.

cutting-edge. from serious military debriefings with live audio to your screaming missies. I'm tellin' va. this is one hot game!





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# ALADDIN

With all the attention the Genesis Aladdin is receiving, many players may have forgotten that Capcom's been slaving away on a SNES version of the record-breaking cartoon. Even though this version has no ties to Sega's game, much of the action is similar because both games follow the movie's plot so closely.

As the young "street rat" Aladdin, you must save the beautiful Princess Jasmine and restore freedom to the people under Jafar's tyrannical sandal. With only the loyal Abu at your side, it's not going to be easy - you're in for a

lot of fun, though!











Capcom

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# YOUR SPINACH

Gobble up the green stuff for super socking power 'cuz Popeye 2 is tough to beat! Battle Bluto and lots of pesky peats as Popeve salts the seas, diverthrough shark-infested water and creeps through caves to find hidden treasure and save the lovely Olive Oyll It's 1 or 2 player, action-packed fun from Activision. only on your Nintendo Game Boy system.



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#### DR. ROBOTNIK'S MEAN BEAN MACHINE

He's big, he's bald, he's the man you love to hate - he's Dr. Robotnik! Sonic's archenemy has somehow managed to wrangle his own Genesis game. antly titled Dr. Robotok's Mean Bean Machine

In it, the evil doctor is up to his old antics, this time menading the poor people of Mobius. He's using his Mean Bean Machine to turn them into evil mbots! Usually Sonic steps in at this point, but he's nowhere to be seen this time. So it's up to you to save the good folks of Mobius by pairing them into teams so they can escape the Tetristype puzzles.



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# YOUR WAY TO THE TOP

it's claw-to-claw combet as the movie's most fearsome creatures come face to uply face! It's Alien vs Predator. The Last of His Clan! With four powerful Predator weapons you'll fight five types of Aliens on seven maze-like levels before dueling with the dreaded Alien Queen, It's an action-packed adventure from Activision, only on your Nintendo Game Boy System.





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## HIGH SEAS

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into action! This new Genesis game from Data East isn't exactly an Uncharted Waters simulation it's a light-hearted adventure in which you must collect treasure and rescue kidnapped friends. Its 13 stages take you out of your pirate ship. too, and across land and up mountains Get your sword and running shoes

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Lester the Unlikely is the unlikely star of DTMC's holiday lineup. This young lad Lester doesn't quite get along with his fellow chums - because he's a GFEKII That's right, he's a clumsy, worthless, washed-out moron! He's gotten himself into a ton of trouble, and he expects you to get him

out of it! AAARRGGGHHHIII But... it might be kind

of fun - now that we think about it, you get to set Lester against mean. birds, creepy plants. cannibals.... this just might prove to be interesting, after all!



#### SUPER **BATTLETANK 2**

They're sending you back - back to the heat of the desert, back to the heat of combat. And this time, it's not going to be easy. It will be a whole lot of fun.

Super Battletank 2 is the land half of Absolute's war simulation doubleheader, dropping you back inside your trusty M1A2 Abrams tank to head behind enemy lines once more. As with Turn and Burn, Super Battletank has its share of new features, such as fullmotion video of enemy armament being blasted to bits.

Fans of the first Battletank can expect the same high-quality graphics and sound in this game that made the original such a winner. No doubt about it. Absolute's coming out with its ouns a-blazin'l



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